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Kids Watch Themselves Play

Children who attended the Local 12 Summer Camp at Sand Lake, Mich. got a kick out of the sound motion picture taken last season at their camp located at Sand Lake, Mich. Dozens of the children saw themselves at play in the picture. Above is one section of the large group who viewed the premiere showing at Local 12 last week. The picture is available for showings by Parent-Teacher, civic clubs, church, union and other groups.

Roman Elected By Die Casters

Runoff Required In Naming Four Posts

Edward Roman was elected president of Local 706, Die Casters, UMMSW-CIO, in the annual election of officers held at the Doehler-Jarvis Corp. plant Dec. 10. Roman defeated Fred (Scotty) Bebb four term die caster president by a vote of 937 to 855.

Elected to the vice-presidential post was Al Krueger who won over Steve Rhodey 1028 to 712.

Four runoff elections were made necessary when candidates for the posts failed to secure a majority vote. Most important of the posts was that of chief steward held by Ernie Love. Love secured 884 votes to F. Frider's 583. William Antrim, the third candidate was eliminated with 329 ballots. The runoff elections were to be held on Tuesday at the company plant.

In Runoff Elections

Also scheduled to participate in the runoff elections were Earl Spencer with 566 votes and Ray Wierszewski who received 373. They are candidates for the trustee post for a three year term.

Competing in the runoff for the post of assistant sergeant-at-arms were Elmer Gray and Joe

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Vets Patronize Service Store

Toledo veterans are taking advantage of the Veterans Cash-And-Carry Sales Center which was opened for business here Friday, Dec. 5 by the War Assets Administration. Blankets, shovels, chains, tires and tubes and other items went fast on the first day when 350 veterans visited the center.

The store is operated in connection with the Customers Service Center, 1401 Campbell St. at Junction. It is open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week from 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. Veterans must show their discharge papers before making their purchase.

Lazette, Burke Win In TIUC Election

Large Delegate Turnout Gives Incumbents Decisive Victory

Richard Lazette, president, and Tom Burke, executive secretary, of the Toledo Industrial Union Council, were decisively re-elected to serve in their present posts by an unusually large turnout of delegates at the annual election held at TIUC headquarters on Monday night.

Richard Lazette Tom Burke

President Lazette's victory, which gives him his fifth consecutive term as CIO Council head, was won over Fred Bebb, president and Edward Roman, president-elect, both of Local 706, Die Casters, MMSW-CIO. The vote was Lazette, 184; Bebb, 30, Roman, 20.

Tom Burke's victory over Earl Spencer, Local 706 Die Casters was equally impressive. Burke who will begin his fourth term in the executive secretary post received 205 votes against Spencer's 30.

Coakley Is Re-elected

An outstanding victory was won by Eleanor Coakley, recording secretary, Toledo Newspaper Guild. Miss Coakley received 214 votes to 17 for Val Klein her opponent from Local 706, Die Casters.

Melvin Lazette, Local 12,

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Coakley Goes To City Desk

The Toledo Blade, which last July banished a reporter to the paper's reference library because of union activity has agreed to reinstate the employe, Eleanor Coakley to the news staff rather than wait for a ruling by the National Labor Relations Board on unfair labor practice charges.

Miss Coakley, retiring president of the Toledo Newspaper Guild, was transferred from a reporting job to the Blade library when she accepted election to the executive board of the Toledo Industrial Council, CIO, recording secretary.

Because she was unable to handle heavy file drawers, following an auto accident, she was subsequently transferred to the society department. The settlement agreement, recommended by David C. Finlay, NLRB field examiner and approved by M. S. Ryder, Cleveland, regional director, NLRB, provides that within 30 days she will be given an assignment to the news staff under the direction of the city editor.

In a statement published in the Blade at the time of the transfer, the paper declared "unqualified objections to employees of the newspaper's editorial department being associated with outside business, labor or political organizations."

The company did not abandon its stand on union activity in settling the case but agreed to

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TIUC to Seek Price Rollback

Members of the Toledo Industrial Union Council voted in their Monday meeting to seek price rollbacks in the various plants where recent price increases have been passed on to the workers who patronize the plant restaurants.

Action was taken following a talk by John Grup, chairman, Champion Unit, Local 12, UAW-CIO. Mr. Grup in explaining the position taken by his unit, stated that the prices being charged in many of the plants for milk and rolls was exorbitant and higher than the same commodities are selling outside the plants.

Efforts of the union to stop the upward spiral of food prices will be co-ordinated through the TIUC which is sending a letter to all affiliated Locals and units outlining the action at Monday's meeting and seeking the cooperation of all workers whose plants have been hit by exorbitant food prices.

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"We Disaffilliate" Says UMW's Lewis To AFL

Secession Expected Following San Francisco UMW Repudiation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (LPA)—President John L. Lewis, of the United Mine Workers-AFL, last week fulfilled the threat he made at the AFL convention in San Francisco and pulled the UMW and its 6,000,000 members out of the AFL.

In a two-word handwritten message in crayon to AFL President William Green, Lewis announced the secession which was voted unanimously by the UMW's 30-man executive board. The message read:

"Green, AFL. We disaffiliate. 12-12-47. Lewis."

The message went to Green by messenger after it was given to a press conference which Lewis did not attend. A UMW spokesman, asked why the UMW was leaving the AFL, said, "There's no reason why the United Mine Workers should sacrifice itself to go along as an umbrella for a labor movement that protects political acquiescence of those who are too afraid to fight."

Green was out of town when the message was delivered, but AFL officials had anticipated Lewis' action. If anything was unexpected it was the UMW's speed in pulling out of the AFL. The secession was in the cards after Lewis' attack on Green and other AFL leaders at the AFL convention for allegedly "surrendering" to the Taft-Hartley requirement of anti-Communist affidavits.

Fought Affidavits

At the convention Lewis fought futilely against an executive council recommendation that AFL officers sign the anti-Communist affidavits. The Mine

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Pure Oil Co. Says No To Arbitration

Efforts of the Toledo Labor - Management - Citizens Committee to end the nine months strike of the Oil Workers Union-CIO was rejected by L. S. Wescoat, Chicago, president of the Pure Oil Co., in a letter sent late last week to Michael V. DiSalle, LMC chairman.

Obviously out of patience with the lack of progress in the contract negotiations between the company and union, the LMC on Dec. 10 strongly recommended to both parties that they consent to arbitration in an effort to end the protracted stoppage.

Michael V. DiSalle on Tuesday of this week sent a wire to L. S. Wescoat, Pure Oil Co. president, Chicago, advising him that the LMC was willing to assume the responsibility for arbitrating the nine months contract dispute between the company and its union employes.

The committee statement issued by LMC recommended that both parties to the dispute agree to accept as final and binding a decision of the LMC panel and that "the union agree to return to work pending the decision."

Union Accepts Proposal

Clyde Shamblen, chairman of the Pure Oil Unit of Local 346 said that the union would agree to the proposal and would go further:

Said Shamblen, "our men will return to work immediately if the company will merely agree to present the dispute for LMC mediation, provided they also agree that if it is not settled in 30 days they will then submit it to arbitration by an LMC panel."

In his letter to Mr. DiSalle, Pure Oil President Wescoat said:

"It is well recognized that arbitration is an instrument to be used only in disposing of grievances that arise under the terms of a contract already agreed upon.

No Existing Contract

"Unfortunately, the Pure Oil Co., and its Toledo refinery employes have no contract, and to attempt to have any third party make a contract which must be accepted by both involves the surrender of fundamental rights by each. To do this would put a burden upon the arbitrators which responsible men would hesitate to accept."

Commenting on the company's letter, Mr. DiSalle said, "the LMC does not like to arbitrate such disputes, but as it vitally effects the welfare of the nation and community we decided unusual action was necessary. The LMC agreed to accept the responsibility that accompanied our offer, and that offer still stands."

Union Recognizes Rights

Clyde Shamblen commenting on the Pure Oil Company's re-

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Woman Urges Civil Rights

DETROIT, Dec. 17 (LPA)—A capacity audience at Rackham Memorial here was told last week that it was time Americans practice what they preach about civil rights. Mrs. Sadie T. Alexander, a member of the President's Committee on Civil Rights, urged Michigan residents to get behind the recommendations of the committee.

Speaking at a conference called by the Michigan Committee on Civil Rights and the Workers' Education Service of the University of Michigan were Secretary-Treasurer Emil Mazey of the United Auto Workers-CIO, President Frank X. Martel of the Detroit and Wayne County Federation of Labor, George L-P Weaver, Director of the National CIO Committee to Abolish Discrimination, and Father Robert McGinn of the Catholic Interracial Council.

Profits Justify Wage Hike

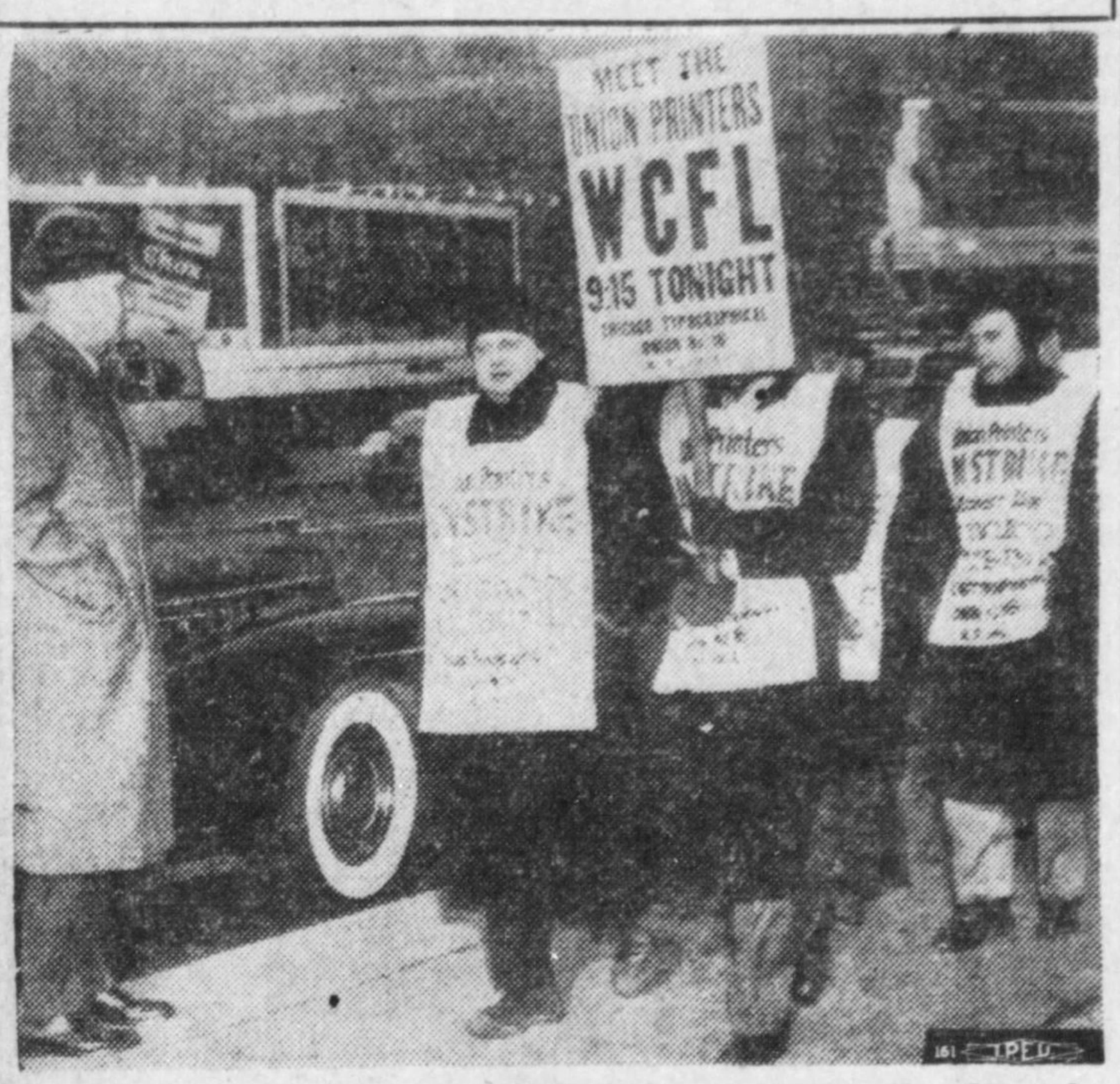
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17 (LPA)—Net profits for American industry piled up wonderfully in 1946 the Securities & Exchange Commission reported here last week verifying claims by labor economists. The SEC showed that for 256 manufacturing companies the net profit after income taxes was $1,213,650,000, compared with $998,764,000 in 1945.

Profits that would easily justify a third round of wage increases were reported by scores of companies. Typical of many of the reports to stockholders were the following:

	Net Profits	Net Profits
Burlington Mills (12 months)	$23,887,000	$12,920,797
Cuban-American Sugar Co. (12 months)	6,206,103	2,222,044
Pullman, Inc. (9 months)	5,651,304	1,862,373
Anaconda Copper (9 months)	34,473,066	13,159,083
Midland Steel (9 months)	2,351,487	1,067,688
United Aircraft (9 months)	6,083,205	4,670,299
Timken-Detroit Axle (3 months)	2,382,623	849,907
American Box Board (10 months)	1,335,019	462,023
Diamond Match Co. (9 months)	2,706,502	1,960,772

Congress To Go Home Leaving Work Undone

The World's Greatest What?



Here is Col. Robert McCormick (left) who boasts that he publishes the "World's Greatest Newspaper" ready to walk thru a picketline of the Int'l Typographical Union-AFL in front of his Chicago Tribune. The Typos, who have also struck five other Chicago dailies, have reduced the "world's greatest newspaper" to the humiliation of photo-engraving copy writen on a typewriter. (LPA)

Controls To Stop Inflation Rejected By GOP's Majority

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (LPA)—Congress is expecte to return home for the holidays on Dec. 19 with the stop gap aid program enacted into law, but with very little t show to stop inflation at home.

Republicans last week unveiled their own progran which took over two of President Truman's ten points, dea with three other proposals for government controls by sul stituting voluntary agreements by industry, and promise action later on rent control.

The GOP plan, which was very distasteful to more lil eral Republicans like Mor of Oregon, Tobey of Ne Hampshire, and Flanders Vermont, rejected entirely Tr man's proposals for selecti price and wage controls, a authority for the President to tion scarce commodities. It d include a one-year extension export controls and power to locate transportation facilities.

Major objection of Democra to the GOP program center around a proposal that anti-tru laws exempt voluntary agre ments by industry or agricultu groups for the allocation scarce materials. Such agre ments would be the GOP su stitute for government-enforc rationing.

President Truman assert that there would be no relax tion of the anti-trust laws long as he could do anythi about it—though earlier in t year he had asked Attorn General Clark to decide wheth voluntary price-reducing agre ments would be considered mo opoly activities.

As if a spur to Congressior action was needed, the Bure of Labor Statistics last week

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Kenngott Is Appointed To Gosser Staff

Appointment of Al Kenngott to the post of assistant director of the Thompson Products organizational staff was announced on Monday of this week by Vice President Richard Gosser.

Mr. Kenngott will make his headquarters in Cleveland, O., where he will be employed in the renewed drive to organize the workers of the Thompson Products Co.

Kenngott has been a member of Champion Unit of Local 12, since its organization in the Auto Workers. He has served as a member of the Local 12 executive board and was Local treasurer until he entered the Army in 1942. Following his discharge from the armed forces, he was elected to the Champion executive shop committee on which he was serving until his appointment by Vice President Gosser this week.

Organizational work in the Thompson Products plants has been difficult due to the extreme resistance given the union by the corporation's management. The subject was widely discussed throughout the Auto Workers organization prior to and during the Atlantic City convention. Renewal of the drive is in accord with the wish of the convention.

Mr. Kenngott makes his home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kenngott, 1111 Coventry.

Szeve Picked For 2-B Staff

Appointmentof Heinz Sze chairman of the Rathbun-Jo Unit Local 12 to the Region 2 staff was announced this we by Charles Ballard, regio director.

In announcing Mr. Szeve's pointment as Internatio UAW-CIO representative, Dir tor Ballard stated that he wo be used, "at least for some tim exclusively in organizatio work.

Mr. Szeve has been a mem of Local 12 since his Un organization and has served chairman for the past five yea He has been a member of Local 12 executive board si 1943 and has served as a me ber of its board of trustees the past three years.

Interested in the UAW-C Foundry Council, Mr. Szeve represented Local 12 in Cou meetings as a delegate sought to shape a strong un policy on wages and work conditions in this type of pla

Mr. Szeve is married and li with his wife and two child a son and daughter, at 1 Olimphia Ave.

Thomas Gets CIO Post

WASHINGTON (LPA)—R Thomas, former president of United Auto Workers-CIO st ed work as a CIO field rep sentative last week. Thom who was defeated for re-elect as a UAW vice president Richard Gosser last month on the staff of Allan S. H wood, CIO director of orga zation.

Children Await Christmas Party

Large Crowd Is Expected At 9th Annual Yule Show

When the doors of Civic Auditorium open at 1:00 p.m. next Sunday afternoon, it will be the signal for thousands of Local 12 children accompanied by their parents to troop into the auditorium for what will probably be the largest Christmas party ever held in Toledo.

Last year's party which surpassed all previous crowd records will very likely be broken this year according to Local 12 officials and Christmas party committee members. Nevertheless, arrangements which have been completed by the committee will insure each child getting their candy, games and gifts through a newly devised system for distributing the Christmas parcels.

The party which will follow the pattern of other years will be headlined by professional acts provided by Eddie Hanf, popular Toledo dancer and theatrical agent and will include other acts from the Hanf School of Dancing.

Santa Will Appear

High point of the afternoon will be the arrival of Santa Claus who will greet the children and lead them in singing the usual Christmas songs. The jolly old elf will preside over the distribution of the toys, candy and gifts which will be passed out to the children as they leave the auditorium.

William Healey, committee chairman in charge of arrangements has requested all volunteers who are going to assist with packaging candy and gifts to be at the Civic Auditorium at 11:00 a. m. Sunday. A large number of volunteers are needed and Mr. Healey expressed the hope that a good sized group would be on hand to aid in the preparations for the party.

Urge Early Comers

Mr. Healey announced that the doors of Civic Auditorium would be open at 1:00 p. m. and urged parents with small children to come early in order to get the best selection of seats. The entertainment will be over at approximately 5:00 p. m. Children not accompanied by their parents will be able to pick up their gifts and reach home before dark.

Members of the Flying Squadrons from Willys-Overland, National Supply, Mather Spring and Standard Commutator will be on hand to assist the crowd in finding seats and securing their gifts following the show.

Glass Union Elects Four

Four officers were elected by Local 9, Federation of Flat Glass Workers-CIO in runoff elections held at the plants of the Libbey-Owens-Ford Co. Dec. 11. Following are the results of the balloting:

First vice president — John Reiter—1181. Wade Williams, 1022.

Vice Chairman—John Weaver, 1129 Fred LaVrar, 974.

Trustee, three year term — John Leach, 1192. James Smith, 945.

Inner Guard—Adolph Mierczejewski, 1117, Paul T. Myers, 966.

Local 9 will hold its last regular meeting until after the holidays this evening at union headquarters, 513 E. Broadway. Following the meeting, Local 12's Summer Camp film, "Building for Tomorrow" will be shown.

Regular meetings of the Local will begin January 9 when the newly elected officers will be installed.

TWOC-CIO Plans Monthly Paper

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 — (LPA)—The newly-formed Telephone Workers Organizing Committee-CIO will publish its own monthly paper starting in January, it was announced last week by TWOC Chairman Allan S. Haywood.

The new paper, the Telephone Organizer, will be edited in New York by Oscar Jager, who is also editor of the AUTW Voice, monthly publication of the American Union of Telephone Workers-CIO. TWOC now has four affiliates representing 60,000 telephone workers, but 20,000 more telepohne workers are expected to ballot on TWOC affiliation in the West Coast area, Haywood said.

WANTED SINGERS

There are still plenty of vacancies in the Women's Chorus composed of Local 12 Women. Practice is held each Monday night at Local 12 H adquarters, 425 Winthrop St., at 8:00 p. m. If you can sing or if you know of any other women who would be interested in joining the chorus, bring them to the weekly singing classes.

Mrs. Guntrup Expires, Dec. 17

Allie B. Guntrup, 75, wife of Walter C. Guntrup editor of the Toledo Union Leader passed away Wednesday morning in Flower Hospital.

Mrs. Guntrup in earlier years had been active in the labor movement. She organized the Ladies Auxiliary of Glass Workers of which she was president. Was a delegate to Ohio State Federation Convention in 1907. Later she joined the Letter Carriers Auxiliary, serving as president of that organization for two years.

Surviving is husband, Walter; sister Mae Sayre, Cleveland; Grandchildren: Robert and Betty Bragg, Washington, D. C.; Wm. Bragg, Gibsonburg, Ohio.

Funeral services will be conducted by the Eastern Star Saturday 2 P. M. at Walker-Wenner Funeral Home, 2749 Monroe St.

Congress Skips Bills To Tax Co-Op Stores

Farm Groups Cause Of Dropping "Hot Potato"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (LPA)—Proposals to tax ops have proved the hottest potato the Republican C gress has tried to handle this session with the result t there will be no legislation this year calling for taxes on op earnings or dividends.

The House Ways & Means Committee, which held extensive hearings on plans to kill the present tax exemption of farmers co-ops, has become completely frightened. Committee members discovered belatedly how extensive farm co-ops are and how many votes their members may cast in next year's elections.

Rep. Harold Knutson R., Minn., chairman of the Committee, was one of the first to get scared. Although he is author of two "rob-the-poor" tax bills which were vetoed by President Truman, Knutson has favored co-op taxation but he remembered as hearings drew to a close that farmers co-ops in his c state were stronger than a where else in the country.

Lots of Votes

The GOP's predicament detailed by the New York J nal of Commerce, big busi daily, which pointed out "Spokesmen for farmer operatives alerted commi members to acute realiza that there are lots of farm lots of farmer cooperatives; of votes among farmers who members of cooperatives."

The complete failure of big business campaign to tax ops was revealed when Journal of Commerce repor

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CIO Act Wins FBI Attention

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 PA)—The FBI has made ree visits to CIO headuarters here, questioning IO President Phillip Murray ce and Publicity Director Aln L. Swim twice, to lay the oundwork for a possible inctment under the Taft-Hartley w's prohibition of political acvity by unions.

Both Murray and President alter Reuther, of the United uto Workers-CIO, were reorted to be under investigation r their deliberate defiance of e Taft-Hartley law in urging pport of Judge Edward Garatz, as candidate for Congress om Baltimore last July. Garatz was elected with combined O and AFL backing.

The FBI inquisition of the CIO ficials centered on two quesons:

1—Who ordered that this parcular issue of the CIO News pporting Garmatz be sent to ltimore;

2—Whether the CIO News is pported chiefly by per capita x or individual subscriptions.

ry May Act

If an indictment is brought ainst the CIO officials it was pected that it would be handdown by a grand jury in ashington. Justice Department ficials, who refused to admit at such an indictment was unr consideration, admitted wever, that grand jury action uld not be expected for at ast two months.

In the July 15th issue of the O News Murray came out tly for Garmatz's election d asserted that he would be emiss in his duties" if he did t challenge the Taft-Hartley n on political activity. The O chief declared that Senator bert Taft (R., Ohio) had imed thet law's purpose was stifle the voice of labor in litical matters and particularly prevent labor from supplying its own publication, disbuted among is own members, ts and information with reect to election issues and canates."

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ommittee members can't adt this, but as they got to the se of hearings and the situan became torridly uncomforte, they decided to call upon Treasury to give its recomndations for eliminating dismination in favor of co-ops. e Committee thereby hoped to ft the onus to the Truman Adnistration. It was the first e the Treasury has been ined in on special problems inved in tax law revision."

P Plans Fizzle

The fizling of GOP plans to co-ops came closely on the ls of Knutson's abandonment plans to consider proposals to union treasuries. Knutson s advised by Republican stratsts that taxing union dues uld be the last straw in alieng the labor vote in 1948.

Rep. John Dingell (D. Mich.), of the three liberal members the House Ways & Means mmittee who opposed the proal to tax co-ops, jumped the n on Knutson by introducing ill which would cut taxes by 500,000,000.

Unlike Knutson's proposal, the gell measure would give a ak to wage earners and the ion's low income brackets. He posed: 1—A $2 billion annual uction in federal excise taxes; Raising personal exemptions income taxes by $100 and reing surtax rates 1 percent in h bracket; 3—Permitting husds and wives to split their mes for tax purposes to ree their income taxes.

GM Accused Of Monopoly

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (LPA)— General Motors, the world's richest corporation, was charged once again last week with violating the federal anti-trust laws. A complaint filed in the U. S. District Court by Attorney General Tom Clark claimed that GM and six other companies "whose combined 1946 sales of braking systems and parts totaled approximately $76,000,000 were conspiring to monopolize the automotive and industrial brake business in the U. S."

Asking the court for an injunction to halt the conspiracy, Clark told the court that the "unlawful patent and other activities" with which the seven firms were charged "have resulted in arbitrary prices which American auto owners have had to pay and are still paying for the braking systems of their passenger and commercial cars, trucks and busses."

Others Are Cited

Cited with GM were Bendix Aviation Corp., South Bend, Ind.; Hydraulic Brake Co., Detroit, Mich.; Wagner Electric Corp., St. Louis; E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, Del.; Bendix-Westinghouse Automotive Air Brake Co., Elyria, Ohio.

The Justice Department declared that "every auto manufactured in the U. S. is equipped with hydraulic brakes on terms and conditions imposed by Hydraulic Brake Co., a wholyowned subsidiary of Bendix Aviation which, in turn, is partly owned by GM; that Hydraulic Brake Co requires passenger car manufacturers to purchase all, or in a few cases, most of their hydraulic braking systems and parts from Bendix Aviation and Wagner Electric, the former suplying most of the brake assemblies and the latter most of the actuating equipment, and that almost all of the fluid used in the hydraulic brakes is manufactured by duPont and sold by duPont and Wagner Electric."

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the transfer requested by Miss Coakley "to promote harmonious relations between the employer and its employees and for the purpose of recognizing and confirming the respective rights and duties of the parties under the National Labor Relations Act."

Miss Coakley has agreed to withdraw the unfair labor practice charge now pending in the National Labor Relations Board.

Lazette, Burke Win In Election

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UAW-CIO won the post of trustee (3 years) over Robert Burkart and Raymond Weir, the latter from Local 706, Die Casters. Lazette's vote was 175, while Burkart received 47 and Weir, 12.

One of the surprises of the election was the defeat of Charles Clark, unopposed for the office of sergeant-at-arms by Tom Gray a member of the Willys-Overland Unit of Local 12. Gray received 111 votes to Clark's 89.

Another 706 Defeat

Local 706 received still another setback when Virginia Adkins from the Die Casters was beaten by Gertrude Moroney, Unit Office Workers for the post of librarian. Miss Moroney received 171 votes, Miss Adkins, 37.

Elected board members at-large were William Ankenbrandt, Kyle Davis, William Duck, John Grup, Mike Karavido, Frank Lichter, Al Lindsay, Lewis Mattox, Frank Puskas, Wiliam Rupp, Virgil Seger and Joseph Shea. They were selected from a field of 22 candidates.

Elected without opposition were Cy Babione, vice-president, 205; Don Blair attendance secretary, 204; Henry Baum, treasurer, 219 and Frank Gebhardt, assistant sergeant at-arms, 180.

The newly elected officers will be installed at the regular meeting to be held at TIUC headquarters, January 26.

Pure Oil Co. Says No To Arbitration

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jection of the LMC offer said:

"The union recognizes the fundamental rights of both parties in negotiating a contract, but no contract has been arrived at during nine months of negotiation. Since the petroleum situation is so critical now, we are willing to let business executives and outstanding citizens in whom we have implicit trust and confidence settle the strike."

Rejection of the arbitration offer followed by two weeks an attempt of the company advertised in the local daily newspapers to create a back to work movement. The move proved a failure when union observers told potential job applicants that the plant was on strike.

CARE Signs Union Contract

NEW YORK (LPA)—The Cooperative for American Remittances to Europe signed a contract last week with the Union of CARE Employees-unaffiliated granting union recognition and other benefits to the employe group. The union was given exclusive bargaining rights for the 600 members of the CARE Staff.

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Workers' chief declared that "The air is filled with lamentations by the great leaders of labor who wish to grovel on their bellies and crawl under this infamous act. Lions led by asses," said Lewis, who spoke derisevly of "The magnificent hosts of 8,000,000 being led across the plains of America by intellectually fat and stately asses.

Following a vigorous repudiation by AFL Secretary-treasurer George Meany and President Dan Tobin, of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Lewis was overwhelmingly defeated. The convention decided that the AFL would henceforth have only two officers, Green and Meany, both of whom favored signing the affidavits. Lewis immediately announced that he would not be a candidate for reelection to the AFL executive council.

Hits AFL Financial

Secession of the UMW will mean a loss of approximately $200,000 in per capita dues to the AFL annually. In 1936 the UMW, as one of the founding organizations of the CIO, was expelled from the AFL for "dual unionism."

The Miners' executive board named Secretary-treasurer Tom Kennedy to succeed the late John O'Leary as vice-president. Elected secretary-treasurer was John Owens, president of UMW District 6. Born in Wales in 1890, Owens joined the UMW in 1901.

Kennedy, former lieutenant-governor of Pennsylvania, joined the UMW in 1900, and served in many capacities for the union and in public ofices. He was born in Lansford, Pa., in 1887.

Roman Elected By Die Casters

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Nesly. Tre former had 821 votes the latter 729.

In the fourth contest Al Sobb with 533 votes will run against Ben Hodanski, 451 for representative to the Doehler Council representing the production workers.

Elected To Council

Elected to the Doehler Council were Rolland Birtwistle representing the plant's skilled workers. His 218 votes was sufficient to defeat Charles Uhrman, 98 and Val Kline, 82.

Elected without opposition were John Sheroin, recording secretary and Walter Hoff, financial secretary. The former received 1940, the latter 1508 votes.

Results of the runoff election were not available at press time.

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ported that in October, as in September, the cost of living stayed at an all-time high. The consumers price index remained 10.2% above the previous year.

Residential rents, according to BLS, rose an average of 5% during the first four months under the 1947 rent control law, mostly as a result of the "voluntary" 15% rent boosts allowed under the new law. Indicating that in some cities resistance by tenants was greater than in others, BLS figures show that while less than 10% of the rental dwellings were affected in Buffalo, Manchster, Mobile, New York, Portland, Me., and Savannah, a large proportion reported rent increases in the other cities.

In Cincinnati and Jacksonville, boosts hit 1 in every 8 rental units; in San Francisco and Baltimore, 1 in every 5; in Boston, Detroit and Portland, Ore., 1 in every 4; in Denver, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh, Richmond and St. Louis, 1 in every 3, and in Chicago, 1 in every 2.

Negro Jobless Show Increase

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (LPA)—The AFL finds that unemployment rates among Negro workers are twice as high as they are for white workers throughout American industry today. The difference is even greater than in 1940.

Made public as appropriate information for the observation of Bill of Rights Day on Dec. 15, the AFL study concludes that "although total unemployment has declined since 1940, the increased proportion of Negro unemployed indicates very clearly that even during a period of full employment the Negro workers are the last to be hired."

The AFL's analysis was made at the request of the National Council for a Permanent FEPC, whose national board is meeting here this week to launch a drive for early enactment of the Ives-Chavez-Fulton bill against discrimination.

Kidnap Woman Unionist

ATLANTA, Ga. (LPA) — A volunteer organizer for the Textile Workers Union (CIO) in Tallapoosa last week was kidnapped, gagged, driven out of town and told, "Don't ever come back or you will be shot on sight." The textile union has filed with the NLRB charges that the American Thread Co., whose plant she was organizing, did "conspire and participate in" the abduction.

UAW Invites FE To Work Out A Merger

DETROIT, Dec. 15—Walter P. Reuther, UAW-CIO president, today invited officers of the Farm Equipment Workers-CIO, to meet with UAW officials to work out an "effective merger of UAW and FE on a sound organizational basis beneficial to all farm equipment workers in the industry."

Reuther addressed a telegram to Grant Oakes, FE president, on the eve of a meeting of the FE executive board which begins in Chicago on Friday. He asked that the FE board act on the matter on Friday and inform the UAW of its decision.

The UAW-CIO International executive board at a meeting in Detroit two weeks ago instructed the four top officers of the union, in conjunction with the UAW's agricultural implement committee, to contact FE officers with a view to exploring the current possibilities of merger.

Predict 60,000,000 Jobs

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The U. S. Employment Service predicted last week that employment in this country will again hit the 60,000,000 mark in 1948. In order to meet the demand for farm labor which "probably will be the greatest in peacetime history" the USES is planning to import more than 100,000 Mexican farm workers under an agreement to be announced by the State Department.

Court Orders Fair Trial

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Supreme Court ruled unanimously last week that when a jury selection system operates to exclude Negroes or any other racial group over a long period of time, any verdict returned against the excluded citizens by such a jury cannot stand. Emphasizing that its ruling did not mean that a guilty defendant must go free, the Court ordered the retrial of a Mississippi Negro, Eddie Patton, because no Negro had served on the jury in his county in more than 30 years. Patton had been sentenced to death.

Allis Heads Quit

MILWAUKEE (LPA) — All officers of Allis-Chalmers Local 248 of the United Auto Workers (CIO) except Treasurer Alfred Lavig resigned last week. The officials, charged on several occasions with being Communists or féllow travelers, announced their resignations to the membership a few days after the local instructed them to sign the Communist disclaimer affidavits required by the Taft-Hartley law.

Workers Prefer Democrats

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Most people who work for a living think that the Democratic Party can handle both foreign and domestic affairs better than the Republican Party, according to the results of a Gallup poll published last week. Wage earners showed the most faith in the Democrats with white collar workers and farmers running a close second and third. As many workers thought there was no difference in the ability of the two major parties to run the government as thought the Republicans could do the job.

Wyatt Backs Truman

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Democratic National Committee announced last week that former Housing Expediter Wilson W. Wyatt will be chairman of the Jackson-Jefferson anniversary dinners, fund-raising affairs for the Truman campaign in 1948. Wyatt, at present practicing law in Louisville, is also chairman of the Americans for Democrtic Action.

Pilots Win Pay Increase

NEW YORK (LPA)—Monthly raises of from $35 to $85 were granted by the Pan American Airways last week in a contract signed with the Airline Pilots Association-AFL. Under the new contract wages now range from $275 for co-pilots to $1120 a month for master first pilots.

WU Strike Is Voted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 — (LPA) — Western Union employes in three AFL unions have voted by more than 10 to one in favor of strike before Christmas ,it was announced here this week at headquarters of the Commercial Telegraphers Union-AFL.

About 50,000 workers will be involved in the strike call in 3000 telegraph offices from coast to coast. Only New York City, where Western Union employes are members of the American Communications Association-CIO will be unaffected by the projected walkout which was seen as "inevitable" by CTU President W. L. Allen.

The three unions, the CTU, the Telegraphers Workers Union, and Telegraph Employes Union, have asked for a 15-cent hourly wage increase and other contract improvements. CTU Attorney Frank Bloom said that the strike vote ranged from nine to one to 12 to one in favor of the walkout in Philadelphia, Chicago and Los Angeles.

Rep. Fred Hartley (R., N. J.) complained that there was no way under the Taft-Hartley law to prevent the strike, because the three unions have complied with all of the law's requirements and filed the necessary strike notice. "All we can do," said Hartley, "is admit that we didn't go far enough when we wrote the act. We should have gone on and done the complete job I wanted to do when the bill was before Congress."

As the strike vote came to a conclusion Western Union announce dthat it snet income for 10 months ending Oct. 31 was $8,262,581 compared with a deficit of $11,109,316 for the same period last year.

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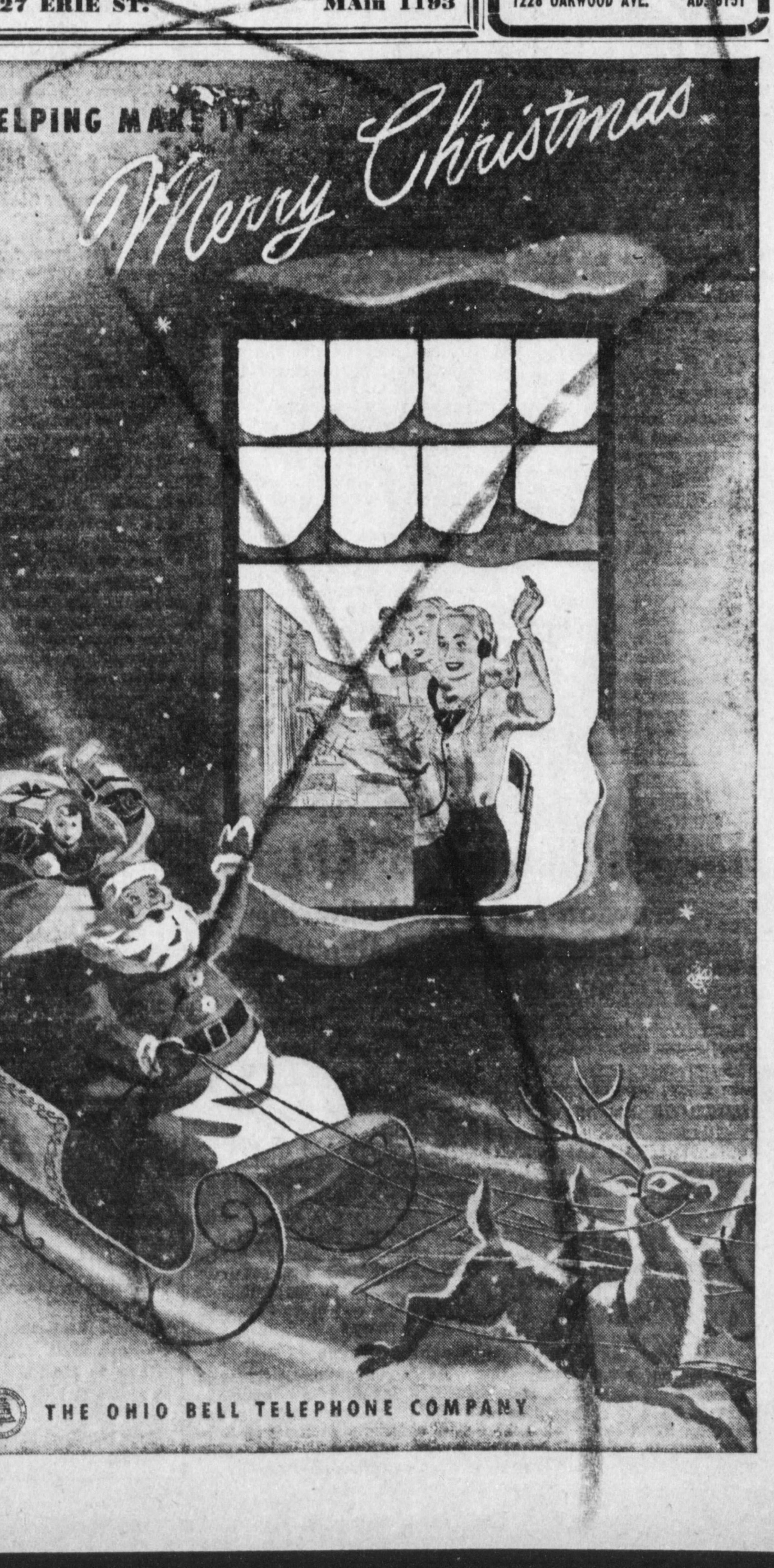

Seeing Eye
W-O Unit

Art Fruchey, one of the better known characters who hangs his hat in the Millwright Dept. is pleased with a two-wheeled truck he has purchased. Art is out to get a deer on his hunting trip to Michigan and expects to haul it home in his Willys truck.

Dept. 223 is happy again as the chief gabber of their gab club, Ann Frankfather, is back to work, completely recovered from her recent illness. Particularly pleased with Ann's return is Rachael Bashaw who is tickled pink to have her old partner back.

Lena Poppelie is on sick leave. Everybody in Dept. 233 wishes her a speedy recovery.

A message to the brothers who work under the jeep frame drop who are complaining about the cold draft that is hitting them each day. It is our understanding that another heating unit will soon be installed for your benefit. This should make working conditions much better unless Walter Gross doesn't absorb too much of it warming his hands.

Ford Visits Reuther

DETROIT (LPA) — Henry Ford 2d, president of the Ford Motor Co., last week dropped by for a "friendly chat" at the office of Walter P. Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers-CIO. Asked what the informal visit was about Reuther said "We had a general discussion of general problems facing the country but the matter of wages never came up. I'm glad it didn't."

Court Rejects Phone Hearing

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Supreme Court last week refused to hear a case involving telephone unionists and the New Jersey state law barring strikes against public utilities. The grounds for the decision, handed down this week, were that the Supreme Court has no jurisdiction over the case as it stands at present.

The Traffic Telephone Employes Union, a division of the Communications Workers of America, is fighting the law as unconstitutional. The bill was drafted, according to the union's brief, by counsel for the phone company.

Passed a few hours after the nationwide telephone strike started last spring, the governor withheld his signature, the union charges, to see whether the union would call off the strike. When the union continued the strike, it was signed. Four days later, several union members were arrested and fined $10,000. An appeal on the case is awaiting a decision before the N. J. Chancery Court.

CIO Meet Hits NAM

PROVIDENCE, R. I. (LPA)—The Rhode Island State CIO Convention last week heard the Republican Party and the National Association of Manufacturers blasted by practically every speaker on the agenda. Rep. Aime J. Forand (D., R. I.) told the meeting that the "GOP-NAM boys . . . are against control of prices for fear it may cut the fabulous profits they are making." Esther Peterson, legislative representative for the Amalgamated Clothing Workers-CIO cited the average wage of NAM lobbyists as $538 a week.

URW Seeks Wage Hike

AKRON, Ohio, Dec. 17 (LPA)—The United Rubber Workers-CIO is considering requests by local unions to call a meeting of the union's international policy committee to discuss the wage situation in the rubber industry.

URW President L. S. Buckmaster said that "The pressure of continually mounting prices is causing increasing hardship among the families of our members. We had hoped that Congress would take positive action to solve the price problem, but to date it shows no disposition to do so.

"If Congress continues its 'public be damned' attitude," said Buckmaster, "then labor shall have to take the only course left open to it—to damand wage increases to offset the increase in living costs during the last year."

URW officials this week denied earlier published reports that the union had decded on a specific amount to be demanded as wage increases. In addition, newspaper stories that the URW is seeking general adoption of a 40-hour week were branded false because the union's tire shops have been on a 6-hour day, 36-hour week for years. The current demand is for the 6-hour day, 30-hour week throughout the tire and tube industry.

AFL Man Named By Truman

WASHINGTON (LPA)—President Truman last week appointed AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany to succeed the late Robert J. Watt as a member of the board of directors of Federal Prison Industries, Inc. The AFL has for many years opposed the use of prison labor to compete with union labor.

Steel Tube Briefs

By "Speedy" Futrel

Be sure to bring all your children to Civic Auditorium next Sunday to the Local 12 Children's Christmas Party. Be sure to get there early though, because there will be thousands of others with the same idea.

Ann Seaman was tops in the girls bowling league last Saturday. The girls would like to get uniform shirts. Any suggestions. Haffelder

We're glad to see Clarence Hensen back again. Good luck to him.

Still on the sick list are Don Haffelder and Elsie Shimp. Hurry and get well folks and get back with us.

Members of the shop committee report a favorable attitude on the part of management on the profit sharing plan proposal. Ed Napolski is still plugging on our insurance and had a lot of help during the past week.

Cecil Gibbs would be glad to have your children's discarded toys which he will repair and pass on to other less fortunate children.

Wonder why Clyde Gooch is doing so much decorating for Christmas?

Tell your Buddie's Box Lunch man that the company is charging too much for rolls and milk. Prices MUST be rolled back.

If you have a good co-operative plan, please take it to your committeeman consisting of Herbert Russell, Ed Napolski, Joe Manuszak, Ray Blackwood, Harry Vore and Bud Parks. Incidentally, your committee extends its best wishes to every one of you for a Happy Christmas and More Prosperous New Year.

Radio Union May Strike

NEW YORK (LPA) — A Jan. 1 strike date which would affect most top network radio shows originating in New York was authorized last week by the Radio Directors' Guild-AFL unless collective bargaining agreements are reached with the NBC, CBS, and ABC networks and Station WOR, New York outlet of Mutual. William Sweets, president of the New York local and director of the "Gangbusters" program said the Guild is seeking to remedy "gross inequities in the radio directors' pay situation."

Denham Slapped By Helper

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (LPA)—NLRB General Counsel Robert Denham was slapped down last week by one of his own trial examiners in a decision rejecting a claim that a strike by a union in a plant that has a contract with a rival union violates the Taft-Hartley law. It was the first decision filed by an NLRB trial examiner under the new law.

The case grew out of the firing of an employee of the Perry Novell Co., Hunting, W. Va., and the refusal of the company to reinstate him. The company was under contract with the Boot & Shoe Workers-AFL but some members of the AFL union opened negotiations for membership in the United Shoe Workers-CIO. The company's refusal to reinstate the fired employe resulted in a strike last April.

The NLRB filed Taft-Hartley charges of unfair labor practices against the United Shoe Workers and an independent organization set up by leaders of the strike. A complaint issued by Denham contended that the strike was called to force the company to violate its contract with the AFL union.

The trial examiner, Horace A. Ruckel, flatly rejected the arguments of the NLRB attorney representing Denham whose office prepared by complaint. Ruckel found that no actual restraint or coercion was established by Denham's attorney, and that the alleged threats and violence amounted to no more than "minor clashes on the picket line."

"There was no mass picketing," said Ruckel. "There was no single instance where any employe seeking to enter the plant was prevented from doing so. There was no assault more serious than a push with shoulder or elbow, and no threat of violence which was taken seriously. On the whole, it would be difficult to find an instance of a strike as peacefully conducted under circumstances as provocative of violence."

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Toledo Stamping Notes

By Barbara Kohler

Amber is all atwitter these days, since she achieved grandparentage, but we congratulate the parents Mr. and Mrs. Burton Harwick the parents of the big boy.

We were all glad to see Maud's smiling face again. She is back from sick leave.

The bowlerettes will have their Christmas banquet at the Gay Mineties. And we do hope that they have a swell time.

Congratulations to another pair of proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Piorkowski who are cuddling a girl.

Add guesswork. Who is the lucky fellow who placed that dimaond ring Helen Campbell is flashing these days?

Little Gertie Mason is full of Santa Claus conversation these days. So let's hope the merry old gent fills her little stocking up to the brim with lots of good things.

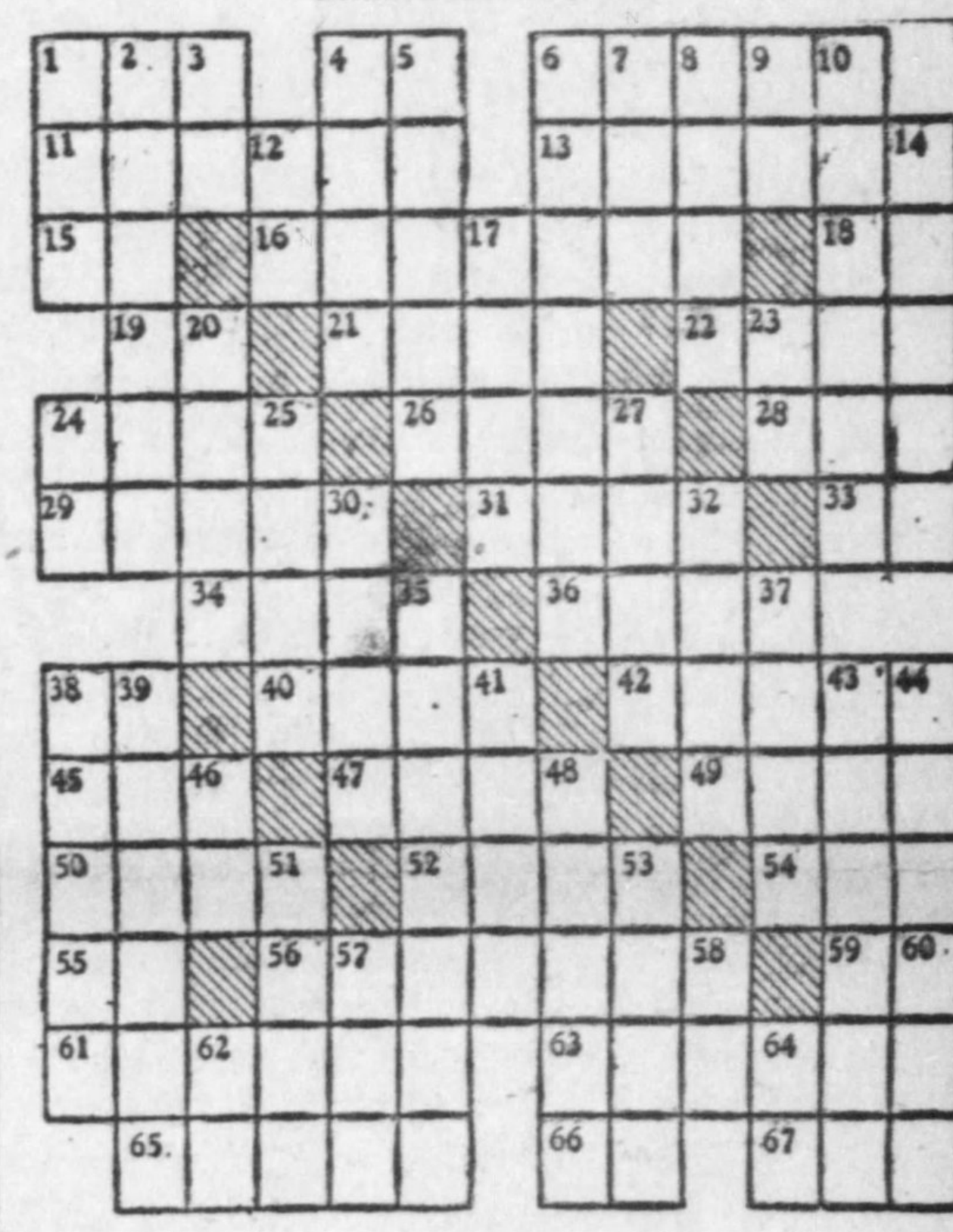
'Tis said that Chuckie isn't bringing sweets to his sweet anymore.

We will have our Christmas party Dec. 24. Natch, we are all expecting a good time. Minnie will be a Missus S. Claus while the little helpers will be Bonnie, Ruth and Barbara. Be seeing yuh.

ATHENS, Greece (LPA)—The Greek government's decree prohibiting strikes of any kind was criticized strongly last week by the American Mission for Aid to Greece. Uninformed in advance about the move, the Americans felt that some of the good work achieved months ago when the mission's labor division helped to settle a general strike threat and set up the precedent of collective bargaining had been undone.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Solution in Next Issue.



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15 Part of "to be"
16 He was struck down for lying
18 French article
19 Pronoun
21 Epochal
22 Russian inland sea
24 Burden
26 Location
28 Consumed
29 Wild
31 For fear that
33 Suffix indicating past tense
34 Prussian seaport
36 Assault
38 To exist
40 Heavy, pliable metallic element
42 To merge
45 Roman greeting
47 Regretted
49 Wicked
50 Prefix: half
52 Husband of Octavia and Poppaea Sabina
54 Article
55 Nook
56 Shakes
59 Earth goddess
61 Toiled
63 Nourishing
65 Pertaining to the sun
66 Pronoun
67 Slang: intense desire

Vertical

1 Music: as written
2 Small fur-bearing animal
3 Symbol for gold
4 Girl's name
5 Suns
6 Love potion
7 Inlet
8 Bones
9 Above
10 To expand
12 Molten lava
14 Removed
17 Slender pointed piece of metal
20 Resident of Asia Minor
23 Hawk-headed deity
24 About
25 To navigate
27 Brother of Jacob
30 Sinister look
32 Prong
35 To wash, as clothes
37 Prima donna
38 Foundation
39 Occurrences
41 Feat
43 Prickling sensation
44 Powerful deity
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62 Artificial language
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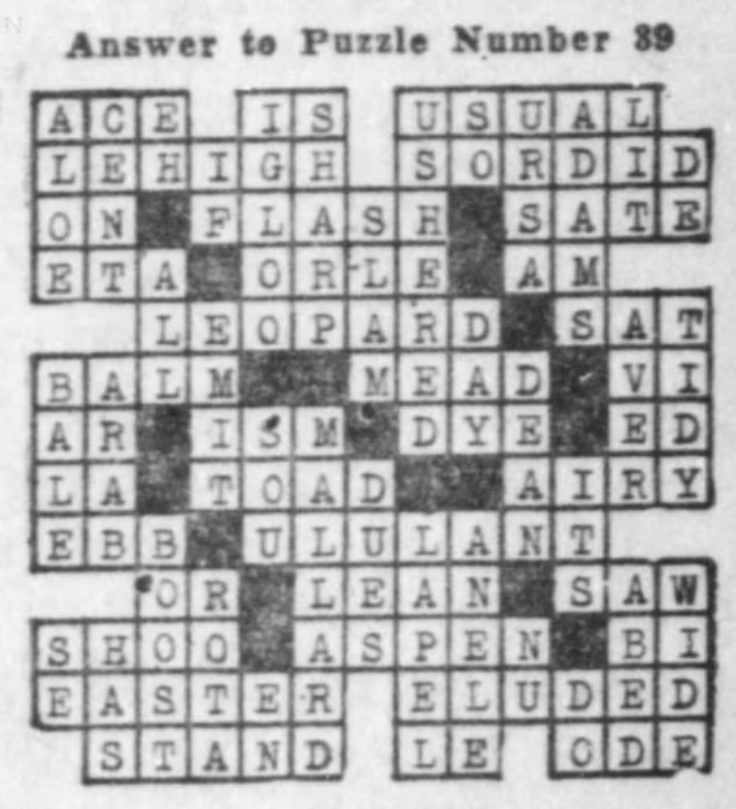

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Who Wants Peace

Flat rejection by the management of the Pure Oil Co. of the offer of the Toledo Labor-Management-Citizens Committee to aid in mediating or arbitrating the nine months strike of the company's employes, is ample evidence that the company has no real desire for industrial peace and has some ulterior purpose in prolonging the dispute.

Acceptance of the LMC proposal by Local 346, Oil Workers Union-CIO, and their offer to return to work while their problem is being worked out by the LMC is ample indication that the Pure Oil employes have a very keen sense of responsibility to the community and are willing to place their trust in the LMC.

While we must accept the fact that the company is actually doing what it says it is doing, namely, following the law, we cannot accept in this case that strict adherence to the law is not in conflict with the responsibility which the company owes to the community.

In the final analysis, the workers of the Pure Oil Co. are in substance saying that the strike should end for two reasons:

1. The public needs the oil which the company produces.

2. The strike is damaging the name of Toledo which has established a reputation for settling its labor-management disputed promptly and effectively.

The position in which the Pure Oil Co. now finds itself is one where it is placing its own interest above that of the public and the community and is, in effect, using the words of one of the deceased robber barons, "the public be damned."

We recognize that in every industrial dispute there are three interests, that of the strikers, the management and the public.

Labor has been on the receiving end of some very severe criticism and borne the brunt of adverse public opinion on many occasions, frequently unjustly, when its interest was alleged to be conflicting with the public welfare.

Nor has labor's responsibility been confined by public opinion, just or unjust, but has been defined by the terms of the Taft-Hartley Act which has given legal justification to companies such as the Pure Oil Co., to stand in the way of the public interest.

Even conservative Governor Herbert, recognizing both the public welfare and the inherent weakness in the Taft-Hartley law, sent a member of his cabinet to sit in on negotiations between the Pure Oil Co. and the union in a futile attempt to bring the company to a realization of its responsibilities.

Today, after nine months of vain negotiations, the Pure Oil Co. has shown its hand with crystal clarity. Its very obvious attempt to destroy the union by shirking its responsibility to the public and this comunity by legalistic methods cannot be condoned or overlooked by the public. The company has earned the full force of adverse public opinion and should not and must not be protected from the consequences of its ill considered and fanatical adherence to its "legal" rights.

The Galion Decision

In the cross check decision of the examiners who investigated the membership cards of UAW-CIO members of the North Electric Company's Galion, Ohio plant, the union was found to have had a clear cut majority before the strike occured there.

The inference, carried in the news release made in Galion, is that the UAW no longer has a majority, a statement which no doubt gives comfort and courage to the company to continue its efforts to seek the secure an election for the company inspired, company dominated union formed since the strike occured.

Whether the company dominated union could or could not win an election, while it is highly important to the company's employes who need and want better wages, working conditions and the other benefits brought by a bona fide union, is less important than the fact that here again is another case where the Taft-Hartley Act created the necessary conditions to bring injustice to the workers by depriving them of their rights to collective bargaining, although they could and did join a union of their own choosing prior to the strike.

We believe that the UAW-CIO will eventually win in the Galion plant, but we hope that the workers there and everywhere will remember to keep their political date in '48. We can wait. The mills of the gods grind slowly, but they grind exceedingly fine.

Washington Labor Report

by Bradford V. Carter (LPA)

At a little-noticed meeting, Representative Ralph Gamble (R., N. Y.), chairman of the Congressional Joint Committee on Housing has just issued a progress report on what his committee found—

Some background here may be useful in appraising the Gamble report. Originally Senator Tobey (R., N. H.) was to have been the chairman of the committee. But because he was alleged to be too favorable to public housing, Senator McCarthy (R., Wis.), the reactionary **enfant terrible** engineered a deal wherein Gamble, less favorable to public housing, was made chairman of the Committee.

On the face of it, the Gamble report appears to be a sober and informed account of the progress of the committee and the progress of housing construction. Mr. Gamble says looking for scapegoats will not build houses. Accordingly, he pays his respects to the labor unions and homebuilders, and adds, while some things are wrong, it is nobody's fault in particular.

The current level of housing construction is at the rate of 860,000 dwelling units which, while higher than anticipated earlier in the year, is not adequate. Gamble observes that this figure "will not even meet our normal national housing expansion requirements."

FINANCES

The hearings of the housing committee have disclosed that:

1. There is an abundance of private capital.

2. Large amounts are going into speculative building for sale to owner-occupants.

3. Much smaller amounts are going into rental housing.

4. Virtually none is going into the housing for lower income groups.

5. Private capital could be induced, under certain conditions to finance low rent housing as well as housing for the lower income classes."

As to how you can get private capital into the low-rental field, the private builders advocated:

1. Accelerated rate of depreciation

2. Abatement of federal corporation taxes up to 2 or 3%.

3. Some form of yield insurance.

4. Provision by the municipality of land and utilities."

Mr. Gamble is not opposed to public housing, he says. It has its place for the indigent and the lower income groups. But Mr. Gamble feels that "in furtherance of our nation's role as defender of individual rights vs. state socialism, "private capital is more desirable in the housing field.

RED BOGEY

Moreover, the cause of public housing has not been bettered by the fact that, says Gamble, "Communists were boisterous in their advocacy of more and more public housing."

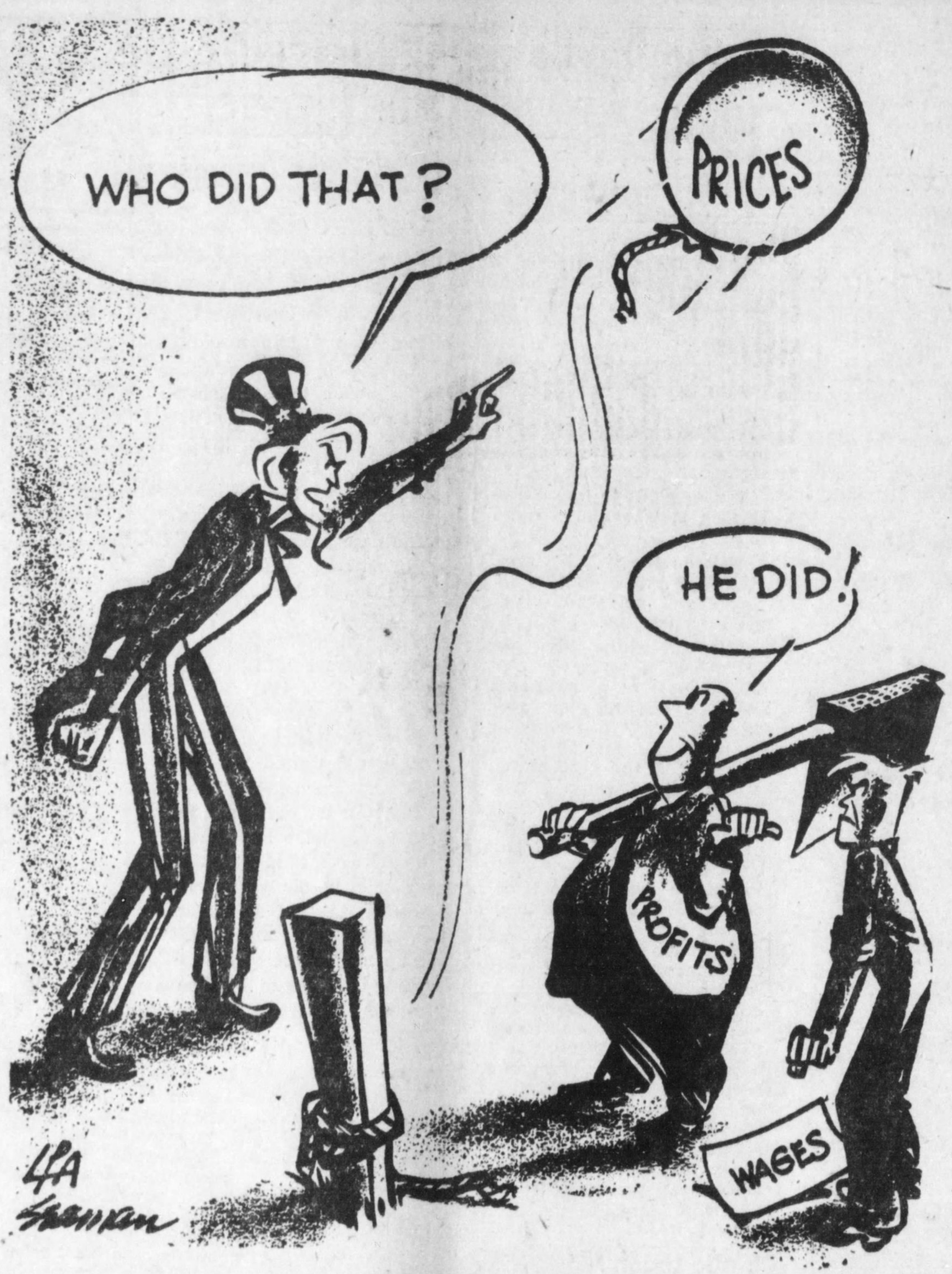
Gamble's performance is a clever one, but I hope that he doesn't get away with it. Despite the syrup, it's basically the same old real estate board propaganda.

First, he limited public housing for the indigent, as if only the indigent are incapable of paying more than $10,000 for a house or apartment for $75. If that's true the large majority of our citizens are indigent.

Then, not too subtly, he identifies public housing with state socialism and communism. This must put the large cross-section of American public opinion which favors substantial public housing in a class with the Commies.

It does not occur to Gamble that the demands of the banks and real estate interests for a virtual guarantee by the government against loss in the low rental housing field is something different from private enterprise. Gamble and associates will be surprised to learn that private enterprise according to the sane use of the English language is not consistent with the taxpayers' making up the losses of private enterprise.

Senator McCarthy, a reactionary if ever there is one, certainly knew what he was doing when he got Gamble to chair the Joint Housing Committee instead of Tobey.



It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

GHOSTS

One Sunday morning, a southern negro minister rose to his pulpit to preach a sermon to his flock.

Gazing benignly upon the faithful, the minister cleared his throat and said:

"Brethern. This mawnin I am going to talk about ghosts."

Then, pausing for a moment to let the import of his words sink in, he asked: "Has anybody in this church ever had any dealings with ghosts?"

A momentary silence fell upon the congregation. Then, towards the rear of the church where he had been sitting with one hand cupped to his ear, a venerable old man rose and in deep throated voice said, "Parson. I has."

The minister smiled tolerantly and then asked in a louder tone of voice, "Brother, do you mean to tell me that you has had-dealing with ghosts?"

The old negro, who again cupped his hand to his ear, shook his head, "Ghosts? Oh now, parson, I begs your pardon. I thought you said goats."

THE POINT

Now the point of this story, call it corny if you will, is that sometimes a ghost may be a blessing, particularly if he or she is a good ghost (prefefably a writer) and has somebody who has sufficient intelligence, initiative and training to take advantage of a good ghost. Otherwise, the ghost can be and probably will be a goat.

Take the case of our Congressman, the Honorable Homer A. Ramey, who, in a speech before the House recently, said, "What the Republican Party needs is more and better ghost writers."

Therein, Mr. Ramey, and I might add, others of the same stripe, are in error. More and better ghost writers will never make the Republican Party into the winning party which it has hopes of becoming in 1948. Not even a genius could do that. And by the same line of reasoning, no ghost writer could begin to build up a gentleman or gentlemen whose pride of intellect does not square with his or their personal accomplishments.

It seems to me that ghosting has been subject to too many extreme views. It is either vastly over-rated or grossly underrated, depending upon the type of mentality making the analysis. In the case of Homer, ghosting is overestimated. In the case of some others, it's just the opposite.

THE MIDPOINT

In between Homer's view and the other extreme, there must be, and there is, a middle point, a sort of a happy medium where the ghost simply becomes complimentary, but not superior to the one who benefits from the ghostly efforts. This presupposes, of course, that such a one must be a strong character capable of standing independently of the ghost and acting and thinking in such a manner that his words, thoughts and actions are outstanding. Such outstanding characters really don't need ghosts, although they are smart enough to recognize that a ghost can and often does help.

Believe me, and I know you do, there are some people who should not be allowed to employ the use of ghosts under any circumstances. That they do not is due to one, or possibly two reasons. 1. They recognize that they could not live up to the build-up established by their ghost, or 2. Nobody wants to be their ghost.

As a rule, people who are getting their work done with distinction and workmanlike ability don't need a ghost to build them up. However, these people usually are the ones who have the best ghosts, because there isn't anything more satisfying to the ghost than having a subject who is intelligent, competent and workmanlike in his job. It's a pleasure to be a ghost for this type of individaul since the subject is an inspiration.

On the other hand, I can think of nothing so depressing as to try to ghost for a dull, drab, colorless, insipid, insignificant individual who has reached the place which he occupies in life, not by his own oustanding ability and intelligence, but mainly by the efforts of others. And if he isn't the gift of the ghosts, then Hamlet was a comedy and "The Man Who Came To Dinner" the great American tragedy.

There are more ways of ghosting than merely by the written word and putting words into the mouths of busy men who are really doing their own thinking and carrying out their own judgments independently arrived at. Many a man who holds an elective office is there because his party, his friends and the political boss put him there and not because of his own prodigious intellect. They are his ghosts and he is their stooge.

There are all kind of ghosts, but to be a good ghost, whether of the written or spoken word, requires both skill and ability and a lively imagination.

MORAL:

The only ghosts who can work miracles are the ones that the negro minister was going to talk about.

Sifting The News

by Paul Lifton

Which will you have, no wage increase or a longer work week which amounts to a wage cut, or both?

Take it from NAM President Earl Bunting and other heavy thinkers for employers, it's your patriotic duty to agree to accept one for the duration of the emergency. If you really want to head off further inflation and save "free enterprise," you'll step up like a little man and volunteer for the longer work week.

The 44-hour work week is slated to be the big putsch when Congress begins its regular session Jan. 6. In the House, where each and every member has to face the voters if he wants to be re-elected, there wasn't much stomach for this change in the Wage-Hour Act. But in the Senate, where only one-third of the 96 members must submit their record of performance to the people, much missionary work for the longer work week has been done.

The story is that what this country needs, in order to get back to a 5-cent cigar, is more production.

Have labor work longer hours, more hours in a week.

INFLATIONARY

Aren't they doing that already? Well, yes, here and there, but most employers can't afford to ask the hired help to work long hours because the wage-hour act calls for time and a half for overtime over 40 hours a week. It seems such overtime payments would cut into the profits and be definitely inflationary.

Don't be so impolite as to ask whether the same money, piped upward to stockholders and management in the form of bonuses and spent by them and their wives for $150 suits, $50 cigarette lighters and $4,500 blue mink coats, isn't just as inflationary as when it is used by workers and their familes to pay rent, buy milk and shoes and pay the doctor bills?

The answer to this is always the same: After all, there are so few high income people and so many low income people that cutting down the profits of the wealthy few won't really make much difference.

CRAMPED

And if you make them feel cramped in their spending by diverting some of their income to the millions of poor people, they tend to feel low in their mind. This takes the zip and zing out of their interest in keeping the business going and the first thing you know, all the job givers are hiding out at Palm Beach while the unemployed are asking the Mayor and the Governor and the President to do something.

A coalition of low-wage industry spokesmen is pressing for exemptions that would take millions out from the protection of the Act.

Behind The Scenes In Politics

By
Clayton
Rusch
Chairman
Political Action Committee

Christmas Fantasy

This story takes place in the year 2500 A. D. The reign of Man has ceased for over four centuries. The insects and microbes have inherited the earth.

The opening scene is in the "living room" of a microbe dwelling, located in a tree.

Dad Microbe is explaining the Christmas legend. A relic of the rule of men to Mike, Jr.

"You see son," said Dad Microbe "this is the time of year when men celebrated the birthday of a leader called the "Prince of Peace."

"Did he advocate the abolition of war," asked Mike, Jr.

"Well, the whole tenure of his teaching was the futility of war. He taught that a Brotherhood of Man was an ideal concept and advocated the application of brotherly love in the approach to human "problems."

"Did the men of his time take his teachings to heart," asked Mike, Jr?"

"Most of mankind did not during his lifetime, but institutions were later established whose aim was the perpetuation and promulgation of his doctrines."

"These must have brought about an end of warfare as a means of settling disputes, did they not?"

"They certainly did not. During the last two thousand years of the reign of Man the idea of a peaceful society was discussed and studied but there were no large scale successful attempts to establish a warless world."

"Didn't their failure to establish a peaceful world government give us our opportunity to instigate the germ and take over the world?"

"That is true," said Dad Microbe" but you are getting ahead of the story."

THE STORY

"It happened like this. In 1945 the second World War was brought to a close by the use of the atomic bomb, the most formidable weapon devised by Man until that time."

"You see Man had a basic difference from us. We can replace that which is destroyed, but our replacement looks just like the thing it replaces. When the cities were destroyed man designed plans for better cities, that they erected in their place."

"After 1945 all the big powers began experimenting with the possibility of devising some weapon even more effective than atomic bombs."

"The new device was not long in coming. It was a very simple device and constituted a reversal of Man's former attitude toward us bugs."

"Ever since he inherited the earth from the reptiles, Man had devised ways and means to keep insects and microbes in check. The new bacteriological warfare which was developed after 1945 was a new depature."

BRED GERMS

"Now man began to foster the breeding of germs which would destroy his kind. The idea for one colony or group of mankind to turn us loose on rival groups."

"Shortly after the end of the second world war the world of Man was again divided into armed camps."

"Instead of establishing a world government with an economic system of jobs at living wages for all, the big powers were trying to avoid the affects of uncontrolled monopoly by warfare."

"After the last superficial attempt to prevent war without correcting the economic evils which cause it failed, the world of Man was again plunged in a full bloom war."

"The leading powers allinged themselves into two camps and set out to destroy each other."

"As you know each side used us to destroy the other side."

"But Dad," interposed Mike, Jr." "weren't men smart enough to know that in the final outcome of bacteriological warfare that we would be the real winners and take over the earth?"

"Son," said Dad Microbe, it seems that Men were smart enough to build a great civiliztion, but not bright enough to realize that when they used us bugs to kill off part of their kind, we were certainly going to go ahead and finish the job. And we did, my boy, we did."

"I guess Dad," said Mike, Jr., "Men weren't so smart after all."

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser

Vice President UAW-CIO

I want to again invite all the children of Local 12 members to participate in the annual Christmas party which will be held on Sunday afternoon at the Civic Auditorium.

At the same time, I would like to point out that last year after the party was over, I said that we would try very hard to get a larger place for this year's party, such as the Paramount Theatre.

I want to assure everyone that we did make a very sincere attempt to get a larger place, but that due to the party being held on Sunday as well as the theatre being busy on Saturdays, the larger place could not be secured.

Officers of Local 12 and members of the Christmas Party Committee have given every assurance that regardless of the size of the party no child will go away empty handed. They tell me that they have devised a new system for passing out the toys and other gifts and that everybody will be taken care of.

GROWING

The growth of the Chistmas party since it was started nine years ago to the point where we are unable to secure a bigger hall to hold it, might be a good time to recommend to the members of City Council and to all progressive people of this city that it would be well to have a new and larger hall capable of housing large conventions and other attractions and going out for some of the larger meetings that cannot come here now.

Cities which have gone after convention business, such as Buffalo, Chicago, Atlantic City, Grand Rapids and quite a few others have been more than repaid for the original investment. I honestly think that Toledo has now reached the point where it could do the same profitably.

I am of the opinion that Local 12 has not yet reached its full growth and that as the years go one we are going to have to make some other arrangementss for handling the large group of children who have come to look forward each year to our Christmas party. A new convention hall and auditorium would solve this problem and at the same time provide this city with many opportunities which it does not now enjoy.

I hope to see of you at the Christmas party and hope that it will give the children as much enjoyment as in other years and that they will enjoy it as much as the people do who work very hard each year to make it a real event.

What It Takes

By BEN DOR
LPA Columnist

Big talk won't clean out the Taft-Hartley crowd. Neither will loud voices. If we are going to have a house-cleaning on Capitol Hill it will take a lot more than angry speeches and threats.

The '48 election campaign will leave very little time for big talk—if we do the work. Thousands of people will have to spend a lot of time talking with their neighbors. They will have to talk with a lot of peole in the places where they work. They will have to sit down face-to-face with the people who live where they do. They will have to get good speakers into the clubs and organizations in which their friends and neighbors meet.

Leaflets, pamphlets, speeches, ads—they all help. But they don't do the trick. They just soften people up for the big push. They give the salesman an opening for coming around and pushing the papers under your face and the pen into your hand. If the salesman does his job well, you make your mark at the proper space. If he doesn't, then all the billboards and ads were wasted.

Point one: Labor people have to know a lot more than they do about what makes the Taft-Hartley law so bad. That's the first education job that has to be done. Ask yourself: how many people do you know who can show that the law is vicious, instead of just repeating that it is?

Waving your arms and calling the law "a slave Labor bill" isn't going to do the job. At least, not unless you can tell people how "slave labor" keeps on winning these new wage increases.

There are explanations that we need to make. It's possible to make people see why a ball and chain on your right foot isn't so bad while your driving a big economic machine. But when you have to get out and walk—!

Point two: even being able to show up the Taft-Hartley Law won't be nearly enough. There are millions of people who just don't give a damn about the Taft-Hartley Law.

There are other people that are sore at the labor movement. And let's not kid ourselves; some of our unions have given people plenty to be sore about! There's no use trying to get steam up in these people's boilers against the T-H Law by next November.

But there are other things to get them stirred up about. The real charge against this Congress is not just that it passsed the T-H Law; That's only part of it, though it helps to show what's wrong with this crew of "Honorables" in Congress. The real thing that is wrong is that the people who control Congress don't know what time it is on the calendar.

The real indictment of Congress—it's run by reactionaries who are trying to clutch to the past while the present gets further and further ahead of them. That is what you and I have to make people see, or there will be no cleanup on Capitol Hill no matter how many threats we make against the people who work there.

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News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Tense, Rugged Drama In "Ride The Pink Horse"

Staccato Action Filmed For Montgomery Vehicle

By Burny Zawodny

Tense, rugged melodrama, crowded with violent action, keynotes Universal-International's "Ride the Pink Horse," with Robert Montgomery as director and star, which is now showing at the Valentine Theatre.

With a staccato screenplay by Ben Hecht and Charles Lederer based on the Dorothy B. Hughes best-seller of the same title, Montgomery has directed the film so that it is jammed with sheer excitement.

Burny Zawodny

In the role of a cynical, embittered veteran of the Pacific War, Montgomery comes to a small New Mexico town at fiesta time seeking vengeance and blackmail. The target of his foray is a master criminal, skill fully portrayed by Fred Clark, who he believes was responsible for the death of a pal.

Also on the master criminal's trial is a G-man, handled by soft-spoken Art Smith, who wants to make an ally of Montgomery and get from him the incriminating check that would send clark to prison for war frauds. Clark promises to pay off but instead sends his henchmen abroad in the little town to kill Montgomery who is knifed and slugged, but not before he has inflicted bloody damage on his pursuers.

Two of the town's citizens befriend Montgomery — the proprietor of the ancient merry-go-round, a homespun philosopher with a weakness for tequilla played by Thomas Gomez, and a wistful little Indian girl who attaches herself with [illegible]like but futile devotion to the tall handsome gringo.

Wanda Hendrix, a screen newcomer, is capable and plasible as the Indian lass who finds not love at the story's end but a heightened social status which to her is as satisfying as romance. Andrea King turns in a fine performance as the master criminal's double-crossing moll.

Joan Harrison produced and Russell Metty photographed.

Don Juan' Barnet And Orchestra Headline Show

Charlie Barnet and his Orchestra headlined the new "in person" show at the N. Y. Strand Theatre Wednesday, December 10. Barnet featured with his band Dick Baldwin, romantic baritone, and Jean Louise, lovely song stylist.

Augmenting the Barnet aggregation were Ada Lynne, petite comedienne; Bunny Briggs, Prince Charming of Taps, and Deval, Merle and Lee, comedy dance trio.

The accompanying film attraction will be Warner Bros.' new romantic comedy "Always Together," starring Joyce Reynolds and Robert Hutton.

MANY TRADES

Melvyn Douglas, co-starring with Phylliss Calvert in Paramount's "My Own True Love," [illegible] a varied career as field [illegible]d, drugstore clerk, elevator operator, reporter and encyclopedia salesman before he turned actor.

Wanamaker With Palmer In 'Long Way Home'

Milton Sperling, president of United States Pictures, has announced that Sam Wanamaker will co-star with Lilli Palmer in "The Long Way Home," based on the drama by Millard Lampell, for release by Warner Bros.

This re-teams the stars of "Tisa," United State Pictures' next release by Warner Bros.

Wanamaker directed "The Gentlemen From Athens," currently on Broadway, while Lilli Palmer is vacationing in Switzerland with her husband, Rex Harrison.

LEG SHOW

One of Bing Crosby's costumes in Paramount's Technicolor production of "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" consists of burgundy-colored tights with matching tunic, velvet slippers and a cap.

Astaire Launches 'Parade' Production

HOLLYWOOD — Marking Fred Astaire's first film dancing in two years and his sixth picture to the music of Irving Berlin, M-G-M's "Easter Parade" was launched when Astaire went before the Technicolor camera for his initial solo number, to a new Berlin tune titled "Drum Crazy". Judy Garland, Peter Lawford and Ann Miller continued their rehearsals in an adjoining stage, preparatory to their start within the week.

Berlin was on the stage to witness the start o fthe musical set in Broadway's colorful era of 1912-1915. Arthur Freed is producing, Charles Walters directing. Robert Alton will direct the dances.

Bishop And Gloria Henry n 'Port Said'

William Bishop and Gloria Henry, who were successfully teamed for the first time in Columbia's recently completed "Adventures in Silverado," will be reunited by the company in "Port Said." Wallace MacDonald will produce and Reginald LeBorg will direct. A melodramatic story of underground activities in Italy and Egypt during the recen war, "Port Saidtt" will present Miss Henry in a dual role.

Kasual Kelly

Time for work . . . but Gene Kelly doesn't seem to mind at all that it's eight o'clock and time to report for another day's work on MGM's "The Pirate." He's entering the sound stage where most of the new Technicolo musical was made. Gene plays a bold, dashing adventurer. Judy Garland is co-starred.

HELD MANY JOBS

Alan Ladd, starred in Paramount's "Wild Harvest," was a newspaperman, restaurant owner, adding machine salesman and studio laborer before he became an actor.

TWO-WAR VETERAN

Melvyn Douglas, who co-stars opposite Phyllis Calvert in Paramount's "My Own True Love," served in both world wars, emerging from No. 2 as a lieutenant colonel.

Artists No Savvy Oriental Writing

HOLLYWOOD — Every available artist on the Columbia lot worked at reproducing the 150 store signs used on the Shanghia sets of "To the Ends of the Earth," starring Dick Powell.

It's impossible for Occidental artists to copy Oriental picture-words exactly, so they did the best they could. Then Dr. Yushan Han, technical director for the Chinese sequences, patched and corrected the characters. Finally, signs were blown up by photography and hung in front of the shops.

Phone Co. Hires Largest Network

The largest network of Ohio radio stations ever used to broadcast The Ohio Bell Telephone Company's annual program of Christmas Carols from the lobby of the company's headquarters building in Cleveland will be employed on December 24 when employees gather for the 20th consecutive year to sing carols.

The network will include 11 stations broadcasting the original program from 11:30 to 12:00 noon, on Wednesday, December 24, and 19 stations carrying the transcription at various times later in the day.

W. L. Harris, District Commercial Manager for The Ohio Bell Telephone Company, said that radio stations in Toledo will carry the broadcast as follows:

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"Listeners here can tune in their radios at this time and join the Ohio Bell in reflecting the Christmas spirit through the singing of carols," said Mr. Harris.

Alexis Smith Arrives From England

Alexis Smith, Warner Bros. star, accompanied by her husband, actor Craig Stevens, arrived in New York yesterday from England aboard the Queen Mary.

Miss Smith and Stevens were part of the Hollywood contingent who appeared before the King and Queen at a special Command Performance. The actress and her husband will spend about a week in New York before returning to Hollywood.

Before departing for Europe, Miss Smith Completed a starring role in Warner Bros.' film version of Moss Hart's drama, "Chritopher Blake."

Phyllis Forbes Returns To Screen

Phyllis Forbes, former Warner Bros. contract player who retired from films to marry, has returned to the screen for a role in Warner Bros.' "Winter Meeting," starring Bette Davis.

With Bretaigne Windust, noted Broadway director, making his debut as a motion picture director, "Winter Meeting" presents Jis Davis and Jani Paige in leadin groles opposite Miss Davis.

Henry Blanke is producing "Winter Meeting" for Warner Bros.

Players Assigned To 'Adventures Of Don Juan'

Nestor Bristoff and George Mardelli have been engaged by Warner Bros. for roles in the studio's forthcoming "The Adventures of Don Juan."

Errol Flynn and Viveca Lindfors are starred in the Technicolor romance which Vincent Sherman is directing, with Jerry Wald producing for Warner Bros.

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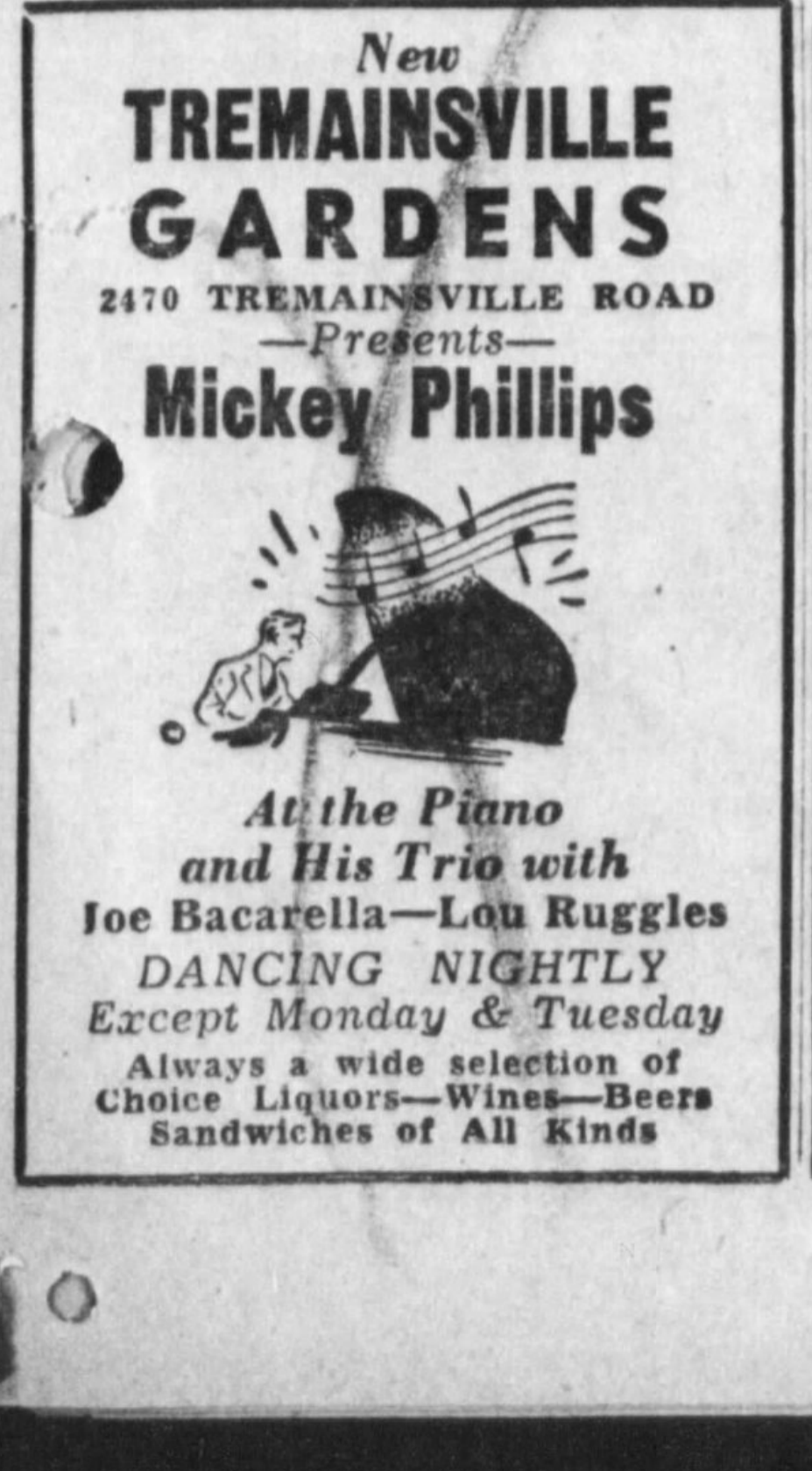

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Coming To Town Hall

Coming to the Town Hall Theatre is one of Hollywood's great, ZaSu Pitts, in "The Late Christopher Bean," one of the biggest hits of its time. Sidney Howard wrote it. Ashton Stevens, dean of theatrical critics in Chicago, sums it up as follows: "I'll tell you something ZaSu Pitts did for me last night in 'The Late Christopher Bean' that Pauline Lord didn't do 15 years ago in New York City. Miss Pitts made the long-dead Mr. Bean live for me, just as much as Joe E. Brown made Harvey seem alive.

"Miss Pitts' dumb servant girl had treasured more than the laughed-at paintings of the man over whose work dealers were now scheming and about whose life a mighty and monocled art critic was preparing to write a book. She has kept the derided dead artist so alive in her heart as to be able to vouchsafe him to us in his own shabby habit as a man and a genius.

"I think ZaSu Pitts' evocation of the unsung (and unhung) guide, philosopher and lover of her kitchened youth marks the best felt and best projected characterization of her too-limited stage career."

A splendid supporting cast features Frank Wilcox, Francis Compton, Isabel Price, William Swetland, Marvin Horne, Nancy Davis, Elizabeth Parrish and E. Lawson Schmidt.

Billy Gilbert directed the play.

Jitterbug Virtuoso In 'Big City' Role

HOLLYWOOD — Arthur Walsh, who won eight national jitterbug contests and numerous local ones to earn the right to jitterbug with Hollywood's top stars, will give another exhibition of his swingy gyrations in M-G-M's "The Big City." After breaking into films in "See Here, Private Hargrove," Walsh danced with June Allyson in "Two Girls and a Sailor" and with Myrna Loy in "The Thin Man Goes Home," before winning his new assignment.

He joins Margaret O'Brien, Robert Preston, Danny Thomas, George Murphy and Karin Booth in "The Big City," directed by Norman Taurog. Joe Pasternak is producing.

QUITS FOOTBALL

Hubie Kerns, champion quartermiler, at U. S. C., and member of last season's Trojan grid squad, spent part of his summer vacation as an extra on Paramount's "The Paleface," working with Bob Hope and Jane Russell.

FAVORITE SPOT

Bing Crosby, soon to be seen in "Welcome Stranger," so thoroughly enjoyed his stay at Jasper National Park while locationing there for "The Emperor Waltz," that he spent several weeks vacationing at the resort this summer.

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20th Abbott and Costello Laughfilm Rated Funniest

"The Wistful Widow of Wagon Gap" is the funniest of all the 20 comedies made so far by those stellar laugh artists, Bud Abbott and Lou Costello. It will open Christmas day at the Rivoli Theatre.

The team has a solid story into which their characters and routines fit naturally, and they also have the support of Marjorie Main, who is no mean bell ringer herself in any laugh meter test. These assets, plus a good supporting cast and a novel western background, put this new laugh offering on any theatre-goers must list.

Housewares Salesmen

The story has Lou and Bud as housewares salesmen, who find their way into the wild western town of Wagon Gap in Montana. Pudgy little Costello is charged with shooting a no-good resident, and under the law must support the victim's family and pay all the debts. Miss Main is the victim's widow, and she and her seven children — some pretty, some homely, but all brats — become Costello's charges.

Riotous scenes take place on the widow's farm as she forces Costello to do the chores. One hilarious routine involves when a frog is placed in Costello's soup by the widow's overgrown son. Another is when Miss Main wins back Lou's services in a poker game with Abbott and Gordon Jones, saloon owner and leader of the town's gunmen.

Well Cast and Played

George Cleveland does an amusing portrayal as a judge. William Ching and Peter Thompson are handsome and stalwart law enforcing gents. Aundrey Young is Miss Main's beautiful daughter, who provides a musical sequence when she sings in the saloon. All roles are well cast and played.

story by D. D. Beauchamp and

Based on a Collier's magazine William Bowers, the screenplay of "The Wistful Widow of Wagon Gap" was written by Robert Lees, Frederic L. Rinaldo and John Grant. Charles T. Barton directed and Robert Arthur produced the Universal-International comedy.

Thorpe to Direct 'A Date With Judy'

HOLLYWOOD — Richard Thorpe, who directed the current musical hit "This Time for Keeps" and the soon-to-be-released "On An Island With You," both co-starring Esther Williams, draws the assignment at M-G-M to direct the company's projected Technicolor multi-starred "A Date With Judy."

The musical ,to be based on the popular program, will be produced by Joe Pasternak with a cast including Wallace Beery, Carmen Miranda, Robert Stack, Elizabeth Taylor, Jane Powell, Mary Astor and Xavier Cugat and his orchestra.

Key Figures Signed For 'The Loves Of Carmen'

Arnold Moss, noted Broadway stage and radio actor, was signed yesterday for an important supporting role of a spanish colonel in Columbia's Technicolor drama, "The Loves of Carmen." Simultaneously Bernard Nedell, currently being seen in "Monsieur Verdoux," was set as the gypsy, Pablo, and Wally Cassell, noted character actor, as a 19th Century Spanish dragoon. Other important castings include Joseph Buloff ,original Ali Hakim of "Oklahoma!" as gypsy smuggler Remondado and well-known stage player Margaret Wycherly as a gypsy crone. Rita Hayworth and Glenn Ford star under Charles Vidor's direction.

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SPORTS

From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Sports Editor
Local 12 Recreation Director

When Johnny Neun, the Cincinnati Reds' skipper, assembles his squad at the Tampa, Fla., training base next spring, he will have a look at some lads who did quite an impressive job in the hitting department in the minor leagues last season.

One of these who is returning for another trial is Hank Sauer, a rangy right handed hitting outfielder. Hank was with the Syracuse Chiefs and the 1947 most valuable player in the International League. Until an injury sidelined him in the late stages of the race, Hank did quite a job. He was heading for all honors. But his absence from the line-up undoubtedly cost him the home run title although he wound up with some 50 home runs which is something to shout about.

Birdie Rule

In addition, Sauer was the league's top man in batting with a mark of .336, was the leader in runs-batted-in with 141, collected the most hits and scored the most runs. Hank has been in pro ball since 1936, but, at that, he's only 28 years old and every indication points to him sticking in the majors this time.

Another who will make a repeat appearance at the Reds' camp is husky Ted Kluszewski, the former Indiana University star. Ted, who can play both the outfield and first base, is a lefthanded hitter and a good one. In 1946 his .352 average was the high mark in the Sally League and, last season, with Memphis, he topped the Southern League batsmen with a .377 record.

Kluszewski rates high in the future books of the Reds and Manager Neun will give this boy a thorough trial next spring. Ted achieved one of the most outstanding feats in the Southern League history one day last season. In ten times at bat in a double-header, he belted a homer, three triples, two doubles and two singles.

The shortstop who made the Jersey City team last season also will be up with the Reds. He's Virgil "Red" Stallcup whom the Reds had optioned to the Little Giants. He's hailed as one of the most brilliant shortstops ever to play in the International League. Rog Peckinpaugh, who was quite a shortstop in his day and last year was business manager at Buffalo, claims that Stallcup is the best fielding shortstop he has seen in 20 years and Peck has seen some great ones during this time. Stallcup not only was a brilliant defensive player, but he batted around .340.

Two of the International League's top pitchers are returning for another crack with Cincinnati. These are Howard Fox and Herman Wehmeier, a pair of right handers.

Fox compiled 19 victories for the Syracuse team and Wehmeier racked up 15. They were the main cogs, too, in pitching the Chief's into the Little World Series. Wehmeier won three decisions in the International League's play-off rounds.

Another pitcher the Reds rate highly is Harry Perkowski, the lefthander who finished the 1947 season with the team. Harry was brought up from the Columbia team of the Sally League after he had won 16, lost 11 with that outfit. He had quite a record in 1946 with the Ogden, Utah, club. While winning 23 and losing 6 with that team, he also rolled up a winning streak of 17 straight.

The Reds also will have one of the better catchers that were in the minors last season in Ferrell Anderson, whom they drafted. "Andy" was with the Dodgers in 1946 and spent most of this year with Fort Worth.

What is Jack Dempsey's nickname?

"Manassa Mauler."

If a bastman steps across home plate to swing at a pitched ball should he be called out?

Yes.

Local 12 Basketball League Schedule

NATIONAL DIVISION

All National Division Games Played At Robinson J. High School (Waite and Grand Avenues)

FIRST ROUND

MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 1948

7:00 P. M.—National Supply vs Martin-Parry
8:00 P. M.—Champion Spark Plug vs Auto-Lite Unit
9:00 P. M.—Acklin Stamping vs Unitcast

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1948

7:00 P. M.—Champion Spark Plug vs Unitcast
8:00 P. M.—National Supply vs Auto-Lite
9:00 P. M.—Martin-Parry vs Acklin Stamping

MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 1948

7:00 P. M.—Auto-Lite vs Acklin Stamping
8:00 P. M.—Martin-Parry vs Unitcast
9:00 P. M.—National Supply vs Champion Spark Plu

MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1948

7:00 P. M.—National Supply vs Acklin Stamping
8:00 P. M.—Champion Spark Plug vs Martin-Parry
9:00 P. M.—Auto-Lite vs Unitcast

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1948

7:00 P. M.—Acklin Stamping vs Champion Spark P
8:00 P. M.—Unitcast vs National Supply
9:00 P. M.—Auto-Lite vs Martin-Parry

SECOND ROUND

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

7:00 P. M.—National Supply vs Martin-Parry
8:00 P. M.—Champion Spark Plug vs Auto-Lite Un
9:00 P. M.—Acklin Stamping vs Unitcast

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1948

7:00 P. M.—Champion Spark Plug vs Unitcast
8:00 P. M.—National Supply vs Auto-Lite
9:00 P. M.—Martin-Parry vs Acklin Stamping

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1948

7:00 P. M.—Auto-Lite vs Acklin Stamping
8:00 P. M.—Martin-Parry vs Unitcast
9:00 P. M.—National Supply vs Champion Spark Plu

MONDAY, MARCH 1, 1948

7:00 P. M.—National Supply vs Acklin Stamping
8:00 P. M.—Champion Spark Plug vs Martin-Parry
9:00 P. M.—Auto-Lite vs Unitcast

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1948

7:00 P. M.—Acklin Stamping vs Champion Spark Plug
8:00 P. M.—Unitcast vs National Supply
9:00 P. M.—Auto-Lite vs Martin-Parry

There will be no admission charge at any Local 12 Basketball League games.

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BIG SIX

The following teams comprise the Big Six Football Conference: Iowa State, Kansas State, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma.

Local 12 Sponsors Hockey Game In Arena

UAW Fighters Win Bouts In 'Y' Tournament

Three Local 12 boxers advanced to the finals in the City Novice Tournament, sponsored by the Central Y.M.C.A., as they won their bouts in the preliminaries last Saturday night.

Bob Hyott, Local 12 lightweight, gained a quick knockout over Joe Weissenberger when the Union battler dropped his opponent for the count in the second round. Hyott is a newcomer to the Local 12 stable of boxers, but his instructors, Red MacDonald and Joe Lohman, declare that he has the makings of an outstanding ringman. Hyott needs a little more schooling and then he will be ready for anyone in his class.

Jack "Red" Pyle, another Local 12 hopeful, won the unanimous decision of the judges when he won a slugfest from Vern Anthony, of the Central Y.M.C.A. Both fighters weighed in at 146 pounds. Ringsiders declared that this match was the outstanding bout on the card and that the Local 12 boxer should go through the tournament undefeated to win one of the coveted gold boxing gloves awarded to the finalists by George Carson, physical director of the Y.M.C.A.

Another Local 12 boxer, Lawrence Dick, competing in the flyweigt class, drew a bye and will enter the final bouts at the Central Y.M.C.A. gynmasium, tomorrow night.

Instructors Joe Lohman, Red MacDonald, and Lloyd Bennett of the Local 12 Boxing Club will handle the Union fighters during the tournaments.

BASKETBALL MANAGERS

All managers of teams entered in the Local 12 Basketball League for the 1947-48 season are urged to attend the pre-season meeting to be held at Local 12 headquarters at 7:30 p. m. Monday.

This will be the last meeting before the opening of the schedule, which begins January 5. Last minute changes in the schedule and plans for the season will be discussed at this meeting and all managers are requested by Ed Cury, league manager, to attend the meeting.

If any manager is unable to attend the meeting he is asked to have a substitute representative appear for him.

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Arrange Local 12 Basketball Games

Basketball is the order of the day in Local 12 sports. Schedules and exhibition games are being arranged in the above photo by, left to right, Harvey Robedeau, manager and coach of the All-Stars, Birdie Rule, Local 12 Recreation Director, and Ed Cury, manager of the Local 12 Basketball League. Eighteen teams representing Units of Local 12 are entered in the League and the All-Stars are selected from the entire League.

Local 12 All-Stars Win Game At Port Clinton

UAW Teamwork Features Game

In the opening game of the season, the Local 12 All-Stars basketball team won a smashing victory over the Standard Products team, Local 497, last Saturday night at the Port Clinton Armory.

Manager Harvey Robedeau reports that the starting combination of Bob Aultman, Norm Schweikert, Eddie Hill, Johnny Manore, and Chuck Aldrich held the Port Clinton players to four points, while the Local 12 outfit ran up 18 points during the first quarter.

While trying to select the best working combination of the large Local 12 squad, Manager Robedeau used the following team in the second quarter, Jim Morris, King Harshman, Ezra Moore, Don Schuette, and Del Taylor. This outfit displayed a great amount of teamwork and held the Local 497 team to one field goal for this period.

Because there are so many former high school and college players on the Local 12 squad Manager Robedeau and his assistants, Joe Schuette and Marty Britton are having a time selecting ten men for the team. It is thought that by the end of next week the managers will have chosen ten players to represent Local 12 in exhibition games and tournament contests.

Several games are already booked for the Local 12 All-Stars including road games with preliminary games at the University of Toledo, University of Detroit, and Toledo Jeeps in the Sports Arena in the offing.

Fast teams wishing games with the Local 12 All-Stars are asked to call Harvey Robedeau, Garfield 5104, or the Local 12 Recreation Director, Main 9126.

Local 12 All-Stars To Play Saturday

The Local 12 All-Star basketball team, under the management of Harvey Robedeau, will play their first home game, at 8:00 p. m. Saturday, when they play a return game with the Standard Products team at Westminster Gymnasium, Locust and Superior Streets.

The All-Stars defeated the Port Clinton outfit last week, but some new members have been added to the team and somewhat strengthened it. The Standard Products team feels confident that the tables can be reversed and is coming here determined to give the Local 12 All-Stars their first setback.

Manager Robedeau wants all Local12 players to be at Westminster Gym at 7:30 p. m.

There will be a fast preliminary game between two teams of the Local 12 Basketball League, beginning at 7:00 p. m.

What is Lou Ambers' correct name?

The ex-lightweight champ's name is Louis D'Ambrosio.

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FOOTBALL MEETING

A special meeting of the Local 12 heavyweight football team will be held at the Union headquarters at 5:30 p. m. Monday.

All members of the 1947 football squad are asked to report promptly for this meeting. Sports jackets will be awarded at this time to the members of the team who played during the past season and plans for next year will be discussed.

Carelessness

One of the most comprehensive reports on causes of hunting accidents has just been released by the Pennsylvania Game Commission covering the 1946 season that deserves some attention of every hunter who plans to go afield in search of game.

Ohio hunters who pursue the popular rabbit and pheasant should heed the warning carried in the report that hunting accidents just don't happen—they are caused— and usually through carelessness. Figures compiled show that out of a total of 366 accidents, 29 were fatal, 15 from self-inflicted wounds and 14 were killed by others. Of the total accidents, 22.-% were self-inflicted and 77.9 by others.

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Sioux St. Marie vs Mercurys

Local 12, UAW-CIO, will sponsor an exhibition hockey game at the Sports Arena when the Sioux Sainte Marie Indians will be brought here for a contest with the Toledo Mercurys.

The two professional hockey teams will play the game which will be a benefit program for the Local 12 Children's Summer Camp at Sand Lake, Michigan.

Efforts are being made by Andy Mulligan, coach of the Toledo Mercurys, to bring the Sioux Sainte Marie Indians here on the night of Saturday, January 24. If the Indians are unable to play the benefit exhibition game on that date, Mulligan will bring another fast professional Canadian Hockey League team here.

Charles Ballard, Director of Region 2-B, UAW-CIO, expressed his enthusiasm for the proposed benefit contest, and Melvin Schultz, president of Local 12, is confident that the hockey loving members of the United Auto Workers will give the contest a warm welcome.

Hockey is a very popular pastime among the sports minded citizens of Toledo. The Toledo Mercurys are thrilling thousands at each performance by their fine teamwork and their aggressive tactics in their efforts to win games.

The committee set up by Director Ballard consists of Ollie Pecord, managing editor of the Toledo Union Journal, Clem Holewinski, assistant PAC director, Red MacDonald, boxing instructor, Howard Rediger, International Representative, Birdie Rule, Local 12 Recreation Director.

Tickets for the benefit exhibition hockey game will go on sale in CIO plants shortly after the first of the year.

Cornell, Mich., Seton Hall Next Foes For Rockets

Coach Jerry Bush and his University of Toledo cagers entrained last night for New York where they have a Madison Square Garden engagement with St. Francis College of Brooklyn.

This marks the first time a Toledo team has performed in the Garden since 1943 when Burl Friddle took his famous freashmen five into the Invitational. The Rockets moved all the way to the finals in this tourney before falling to St. Johns.

The St. Francis tilt is the first of four stiff opponents the University must face during the Christmas holidays. Following this game they meet Cornell, Seton Hall and Michigan in that order.

Cornell will be in the Field House Tuesday Jan. 30, for what looks to be a great battle. The Ithicans haven't made an appearance in the local arena since 1942 when they were defeated by Toledo.

After the Cornell contest the Rockets will face the strong Seton Hall team on New Year's night and two nights later they will entertain the Wolverines from the University of Michigan.

Bob Harrison, former Woodward High School star, is captain of the Ann Arbor club.

All home games get under way at 8:15 p. m.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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